



While some soldiers (left) spray foam on Yamit diehards ensconced on a rooftop, other troops clamber up ladders to apprehend them and carry them off. When the last demonstrator had been removed, bulldozers moved in. (IPPA)

Envoys recalled after Paris bombing France and Syria at crisis point

By DAVID BERNSTEIN
Post Middle East Reporter
and Agencies

French-Syrian relations plunged to a new low yesterday, when a Syrian-backed hit squad detonated a huge car bomb in the heart of Paris and Syrian soldiers serving with the occupation forces in Lebanon attacked the residence of the French ambassador in Beirut.

France responded to the car-bomb blast, which killed a woman and injured some 64 other persons on the crowded Champs Elysees, by expelling two Syrian diplomats and recalling its ambassador from Paris.

Syrian Foreign Minister Abdel Halim Khaddam also cancelled a

planned meeting in Paris today with his French opposite number, Claude Cheysson. He had been due to stop over in Paris on his way home from attending the UN Security Council in New York.

According to the Christian Phalange radio in Lebanon last night, a number of Syrian soldiers serving in Lebanon, led by a Syrian officer, launched an attack on the residence of the French ambassador in Beirut.

The radio said, however, that they were driven off by the detachment of French paratroopers charged with protecting the embassy. There was no report of casualties.

The target of the bomb blast in Paris earlier in the day — which shattered windows for three blocks

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Terrorists divided on response to air raids

BEIRUT (Reuters). — Strains appeared yesterday in the Palestine Liberation Organization amid reports of pressure on it from the Lebanese and U.S. governments not to retaliate after Wednesday's Israeli air raids south of Beirut.

First indications were that the bulk of the organization was against a military riposte for fear of provoking an Israeli invasion of South Lebanon. But several radical Palestinian factions called for vengeance.

Tension remained high in Lebanon as Israeli jets flew reconnaissance missions over Beirut and the south of the country, including areas bombed on Wednesday.

About 25 people were believed killed in Wednesday's two-hour air strike — during which two Syrian MiGs were downed by the Israelis in aerial combat — although

estimates differed. The raids were concentrated around the Palestinian stronghold of Damour, 15 kms. south of Beirut.

Political sources said Prime Minister Shafik al-Wazzan Wednesday night contacted Salah Khalaf ("Abu Iyad"), a leading member of Yasser Arafat's Fatah, to urge restraint.

The state-run Beirut Radio said parliamentary speaker Kamel al-Assad was sending a message to Arafat calling on him to beware of the "trap" Israel was laying for his organization.

At the UN, a PLO central council member, Shafiq al-Hout, said the U.S. had appealed to the Palestinians through a third party not to retaliate for the air raids.

The PLO on Wednesday night

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Kiryat Shmona on alert, but life as normal

JERUSALEM POST REPORTER
KIRYAT SHMONA. — One day after the Israeli Air Force's attack on terrorist bases in South Lebanon, life in Jewish settlements near the border returned to normal, although the state of readiness continued in the event of a terrorist attack.

UNIFIL sources reported that Israeli planes were seen flying over Lebanon on 40 different occasions yesterday.

Segen Eyal Tzur, mine victim, buried

RAMAT HASHARON (Itim). — Segen Eyal Tzur, 21, was buried yesterday in the Kiryat Shaul military cemetery. He was killed when his jeep went over a mine in South Lebanon on Wednesday.

Among the many mourners were Defence Minister Ariel Sharon; Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Rafael Eitan and his deputy, Aluf Moshe Levy; the IDF chief chaplain Aluf Gad Navon; and Ramat Hasharon

local council chairman Menahem Sherman.

Eyal's father, Aluf-Mishne Ya'acov Tzur, said *kaddish*. After the funeral ceremony, Sharon expressed his condolences to Aluf Tzur and his wife, Ziva.

Eyal Tzur was born in Netanya, but his family moved to Ramat Hasharon six years ago. The Tzurs have two other children, Carmi, 17, and Boaz, 11.

All watch in awe as town turns to dust

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

YAMIT. — The rumbling began shortly after first light and soon the bare tile floor on which I was lying began to shake. I had arrived in Yamit illegally in the dark a few hours before and was lying in the empty house to keep out of sight of soldiers, whose silhouettes I had been able to make out on the roofs of the one- and two-storey houses all around me.

The rumbling turned into angry growling and the sense that something terrible and implacable was approaching penetrated my drowsiness.

I ran out the rear door as four massive bulldozers rolled up and began lashing out at the neighbouring buildings. Their blades cut into the walls as if they were made of putty and in a few angry shakes and heaves the buildings were heaps of rubble. An officer ran into the building in which I had been hiding to check it out and a minute later it too was gone.

Soldiers sleeping in an adjoining house were roused by the officer and they hastily pulled on their boots. Paper party streamers left by

the previous residents hung from the ceiling above them. A few moments later, the bulldozers had levelled the house.

Apocalypse had arrived in Yamit and in the dust and noise and destruction one could wander freely. Dozens of bulldozers and giant mobile air hammers were loose in the city like a pack of predatory beasts.

The air hammers, held aloft by crane-like devices, pecked at the upper stories of buildings like dinosaurs. The bulldozers took on the one-storey buildings, angling blows at the corners to topple the walls.

Shechunat Havatikim, the oldest section of Yamit, was already half gone two hours after sunrise. In the rear of a house still untouched stood a woman and a baby.

"My husband's getting the truck," said Esther Pinto. "We just wanted to see what it would be like at the end." She nodded at the ruins of her neighbours' houses all around her. "It's a pity we stayed."

As painful as it was to see the city die, however, she said it was preferable to turning it over intact to the Egyptians. "We received

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Israeli officials flying to Cairo Taba issue expected to be settled by Sunday

By DAVID LANDAU
Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Senior Israeli officials are flying to Cairo today for talks that are hoped will produce an agreed interim arrangement on the disputed Taba Beach, near Eilat. Well-placed sources in Jerusalem expressed optimism last night that the issue would be resolved tomorrow — enabling Israel to withdraw from Taba in the general withdrawal from Sinai on Sunday.

The cabinet had resolved on Wednesday not to withdraw from Taba unless the interim arrangement was worked out whereby Israeli civilian life can continue there pending a final settlement of the dispute by arbitration.

Two key points have been holding up agreement on an interim arrangement:

• Egypt wants a time-limit set for the duration of the arbitration. Cairo proposes that the parties agree in advance to limit the arbitration to a matter of months.

• Egypt is reluctant to allow work to continue on the nearly completed Israeli hotel in Taba during the interim period until the arbitrator's ruling is handed down.

Israel argues that to set a time-limit for the arbitration would be needlessly to court the danger of a new crisis if that time limit cannot be met. "Negotiations ought never to be limited in time," an Israeli source said last night.

As regards the hotel completion, Israeli sources say Egypt's position on this suddenly hardened a week ago. Before that the impression had been that Egypt would not object to

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Pakistan bars EEC unit—it has a Jew

STRASBOURG. — The president of the European Parliament, Piet Dankert, on Wednesday accused Pakistan of religious and political discrimination for allegedly refusing entry to a parliamentary fact-finding mission.

He said the Pakistani authorities had refused a group of three deputies permission to enter the country and visit Afghan refugee camps in the north because one of them was Jewish.

The delegation will not leave, he said.

The delegation was to have been led by French Gaullist deputy Gerard Israel, but a Pakistani representative in Brussels had said that the government would not allow him in,

for fear of alienating Arab allies, Dankert added.

"This is unqualified discrimination... because of political opinions and religious views," he told the European Parliament.

Dankert urged Belgian Foreign Minister Leo Tindemans to take the matter up with the Pakistani government.

Tindemans, current president of the European Economic Community's council of ministers, said he would discuss the matter with foreign ministers from the nine other EEC countries.

"This is certainly a very grave move indeed," he told deputies. "I'm sure we'll come to a common protest about this." (Reuters, AP)

UK won't rule out force as fleet nears Falkland Islands

LONDON. — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher yesterday told parliament her government is doing everything possible for a peaceful settlement of the Falkland Islands crisis. But she said force cannot be ruled out, in the dispute with Argentina.

"I cannot rule out the use of force. You have to be prepared to defend the things in which you believe and be prepared to use force if that is the only way to secure

liberty and self-determination," she declared.

Thatcher defined the government's position as Foreign Secretary Francis Pym arrived in Washington carrying Britain's reply to Argentina's Falkland Islands package — something he has said falls short of British requirements "in certain important respects."

Before leaving London, Pym said the British plan would call for the withdrawal of Argentine troops, discuss an intermediate administra-

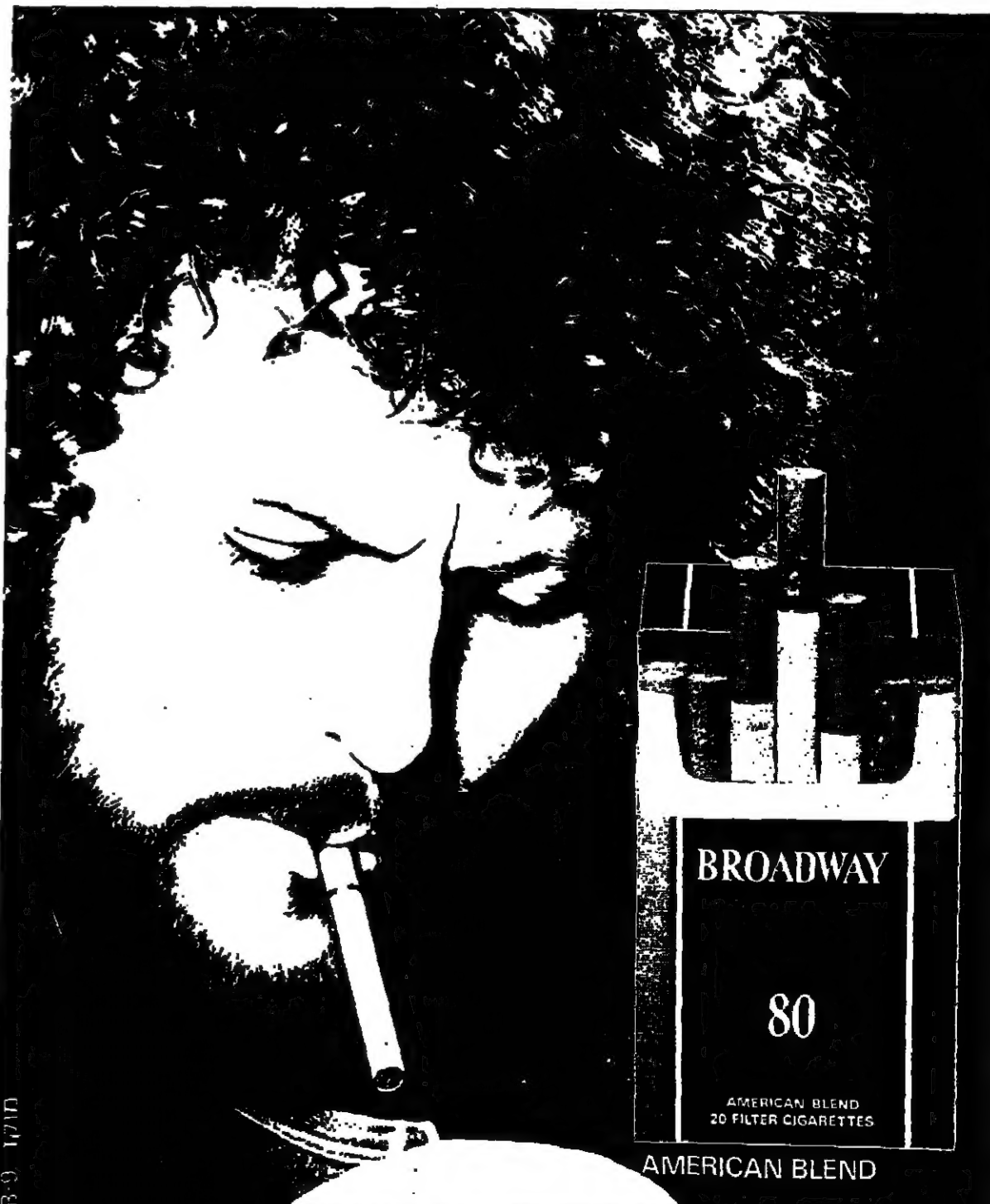
tion of the 149-year-old British Colony and propose a framework for negotiations on a permanent settlement. A summary was sent to Washington on Wednesday.

Meanwhile, lead elements of the British fleet steamed to within 500 kilometres of the islands yesterday and intelligence sources in Washington expect the British force first to recapture South Georgia and use it as a staging area for further operations.

The sources, who requested

anonymity, said the carriers Hermes and Invincible were among the vessels forward deployed in a task force of about 40 combatant and support ships spread over hundreds of miles of the South Atlantic ocean.

About 10,000 Argentine troops were believed holding the Falklands which are blockaded by British submarines to prevent any sea-lift from Argentina for a resupply effort. The Argentines have been resupplied by air-lift.



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OSLO	4	38	18	Clear
PARIS	8	48	18	Clear
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	Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
	Humidity	Min-Max	Max
Jerusalem	54	10-22	20
Golan	41	10-24	21
Nahariya	66	16-22	21
Safed	43	12-23	20
Haifa Port	71	17-21	20
Tiberias	44	17-30	27
Nazareth	53	13-24	22
Afula	52	16-26	23
Shimon	53	13-24	22
Tel Aviv	80	17-21	20
B-G Airport	52	15-24	22
Jericho	27	20-33	30
Gaza	77	17-22	21
BeerSheva	39	14-26	23
Eilat	10	24-34	31

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Justice Haim Cohn and author A.B. Yehoshua will take part in a panel discussion on "Arabs, Jews and Israeli Law" at the Haifa Tsavta Club at the Goldbloom Centre on Mt. Carmel, 9.30 p.m. tomorrow.

The president of the Manufacturers Association, Eli Hurvitz, will be the guest speaker at the Haifa Maritime and Economics Club, Zion Hotel, 1 p.m. today.

Dr. Yehudit Naot of Rambam Hospital will speak on "Infectious illnesses" at the Haifa Engineers Club, 1 p.m. today.

In Memoriam

A memorial service was held yesterday at the graveside of Yitzhak Ben-Zvi, Israel's second president, on the 19th anniversary of his death. The ceremony at the Givat Shaul cemetery was attended by President Yitzhak Navon, members of the Second Aliya and Hashomer, and friends and relatives. Also honoured was Ben-Zvi's wife, Rachel Yanai Ben-Zvi, writer and labour leader, who died in 1979.

Sixth suspect held in Tel Aviv murder case

TEL AVIV (Ithim). — A sixth suspect has been detained in connection with this week's murder of reputed drug-dealer Amos Messica and the attempted killing of his brother Moshe.

Aharon Ziton, 25, of Tel Aviv, was remanded yesterday for 15 days by the Tel Aviv Magistrates Court, after police told the court that Ziton's alibi had not held up.

The Messica brothers were gunned down in their car on Sunday in the Hatikva quarter.

Schmidt triumphs in crucial vote

MUNICH (UPI). — A Social Democratic convention supported Chancellor Helmut Schmidt yesterday and rejected by a large majority a motion of the party peace movement to oppose the NATO decision to deploy new U.S. medium-range missiles in Western Europe.

About three-quarters of the 436 delegates voted against a motion reading "the deployment of new land-based medium-range missiles will not increase security in Europe, but will highly endanger the civilian population."

It was on this issue that Schmidt had staked his political future. (earlier story p.4)

Single? Why Be Alone?

Meet with Dr. Morris Mandel and his operation: Get Together Saturday evening, April 24 at 8.30 p.m.
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HOME & WORLD NEWS

Egyptian runners bear 'peace torches' to Sinai

CAIRO (Reuters). — Two runners with flaming torches set out from Cairo to the Sinai desert yesterday to mark Israel's scheduled withdrawal on Sunday from the last remaining stretches of occupied Egyptian land.

The "torches of peace" were lit by Defence Minister Mohammed Abdel-Halim Abu Ghazala from the flame burning at the tomb of Egypt's unknown warrior, site of the grave of assassinated former president Anwar Sadat.

A military band played and the three armed services mounted a guard of honour as relay teams of paratroopers and commandos set off to carry the torches to Rafah, in northern Sinai, and Sharm el-Sheikh on Sinai's southern tip.

President Hosni Mubarak has cancelled plans to attend a handover ceremony in Sharm el-Sheikh on Sunday. Instead, Egypt will be represented there by the governor of southern Sinai and the North Sinai governor will officiate at Rafah. In each town a relayed torch will kindle a "flame of peace."

Mubarak will reserve his celebration speech for the Egyptian Parliament on Monday.

Advance groups of Egyptian officials have arrived at the last Israeli-occupied segment of Sinai in preparation for taking over the territory on Sunday.

The Egyptian groups include representatives of various ministries connection with the Ramle-based charity named after his late father. Abuhatzzeira's former aide, Moshe Gabai, was found guilty of fraud and breach of trust.

The maximum prison term for larceny is seven years, for fraud and breach of trust, three.

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who will receive installations, establish customs and security posts and execute other administrative tasks.

In Alexandria yesterday, Israeli Ambassador to Egypt Moshe Sasson opened an Israeli consulate, the first such diplomatic representation outside Cairo. In a parallel ceremony in Eilat yesterday, Egyptian Consul Hassan Eissa opened an Egyptian consulate.

Slim ceremonies for handover of Sinai

Jerusalem Post Reporter

It was not clear last night how Israel will formally mark the end of its almost 15 years of occupation of Sinai, which reverts to Egyptian control at midnight on Sunday.

The only ceremony planned by last night was a modest parade of the remaining troops at Ophira to take place at 7.30 a.m. on Sunday. The commander of Southern Sinai

will read his final Order of the Day and the Israel flag will be furled for the last time before the troops leave for their new base.

The IDF spokesman's office could not say last night if similar ceremony would be held at Rafah.

No joint Egyptian-Israeli ceremonies have been planned to mark the occasion.

Abuhatzzeira sentence today

TEL AVIV. — The sentences in the Abuhatzzeira trial are to be handed down this morning, the district court clerk said yesterday. Police will again send a large contingent to keep order at the courthouse.

Labour Minister Aharon Abuhatzzeira was convicted Monday of larceny, fraud and breach of trust in connection with the Ramle-based charity named after his late father. Abuhatzzeira's former aide, Moshe Gabai, was found guilty of fraud and breach of trust.

The maximum prison term for larceny is seven years, for fraud and breach of trust, three.

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Court allows Ne'eman to enter Yamit

Supreme Court Justice Aharon Barak yesterday afternoon issued a temporary order to permit MK Yuval Ne'eman to enter the Yamit area and to move freely within the area.

The order will be in effect until noon today, when a three-justice panel is scheduled to hear Ne'eman's petition against his removal from Yamit.

Ne'eman claims in his petition that under the immunity laws covering MKs, he is entitled to free access to and movement in any part of Israel, unless security considerations dictate otherwise. Once journalists have been allowed into Yamit, it cannot be said that such compelling security considerations exist, the petition claims.

(Ithim)

Sharon: Mubarak backs demolition of Yamit

Defence Minister Ariel Sharon told the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee yesterday that Egypt fully favoured the demolition of Yamit. He explained that President Hosni Mubarak himself had expressed concern over the possibility of anti-withdrawal ac-

tivists infiltrating back into the town after the Israeli pullout on Sunday. Egypt, Mubarak said, would not have the forces to remove them, because, under the terms of the Sinai demilitarization provisions, only civil police are permitted in 'Zone C' which includes Yamit.

ALL WATCH

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sand dunes and made palaces. Let's see what they do with the dunes." Beyond the roofs of the next street, a tree top swayed and fell out of sight. A moment later the roofs were collapsing. One had to walk carefully because there were often bulldozers at work on several sides and buildings gave way unexpectedly. There was no time for the niceties of safety procedures as the city was pounded to death.

Soldiers and settlers watched the destruction with awe. There were no cynical smiles. They were witnessing something tremendous, something beyond their experience, and there could be no conventional reaction. "What can I say?" asked a grizzled, red-eyed tractor driver taking a cigarette break. He glanced sideways at his questioner as if he would like to hear what there was to say.

In the town square, covered now with debris, soldiers were preparing for the assault on the main body of anti-withdrawal holdouts on what was called "X Street," because of the marks the soldiers had made on the buildings occupied by illegal settlers.

On the street itself, the two sides singled as if they were waiting for the curtain to rise. Militants logged old doors, tires, petrol and other materials up to the roofs for the pending confrontation. On the street, the militants filled canteens from a water tank provided by the army.

"Our message," said a bearded man on the street, "is that you cannot lightly give up a piece of earth you have redeemed and made flourish, even if this means a confrontation with soldiers, in other words a confrontation with ourselves."

TABA DISPUTES

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work continuing on the hotel — on the understanding that if the arbitrator decides in Cairo's favour, the hotel would be purchased by Egypt.

Israeli sources are clearly hoping for some Egyptian softening on both these points.

Possibly, the talks in Cairo today will also result in the launching of the conciliation-arbitration process which is stipulated in the Peace Treaty for disputes that cannot be resolved by negotiation between the parties.

Representing Israel at the talks today will be Foreign Ministry Director-General David Kimche, Deputy Director-General Haim Barak and Legal Adviser Elyakim Rubinstein, as well as Defence Ministry officials.

Also taking part will be U.S. Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Middle East Affairs Morris Draper, who has been aiding Under-Secretary Walter Stoessel in his Egypt-Israel shuttles these past 10 days.

Draper met late into the night yesterday with Israeli officials at the foreign ministry in Jerusalem.

FRANCE AND SYRIA

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around and sent morning rush-hour pedestrians on the Champs Elysees fleeing in panic — was the pro-Israeli Lebanese weekly *al-Watan al-Arabi*. The weekly charged last week that Syria was behind the assassination in Beirut last September of French Ambassador Louis Delamare — a charge repeated on Wednesday night by state-run French TV.

Police sources in Paris are reported as saying the office and employees of the journal had been under 24-hour surveillance for the past two weeks, since intelligence agents learned that a Syrian hit-squad had been assigned to destroy it.

Interior Minister Gaston Defferre — who last week called for tougher measures to combat crime and terrorism — announced that the naval and cultural attaches at the Syrian Embassy had been declared *persona non grata* and had 48 hours to leave.

The Syrian regime of President Hafez Assad has been accused by various French publications of masterminding a network of terrorist attacks.

The weekly *Canard Enchaîné* said Syria ordered last week's killing of French diplomat Guy Cavallo and his pregnant wife in Beirut. And other sources said the Damascus regime controlled the terrorists in Paris who killed U.S. military attaché Charles Ray in January and Israeli diplomat Ya'akov Bar-Simantov earlier this month.

France's relations with Syria are strained by its support for Assad's bitter enemy, Iraq — especially substantial French arms sales and help to build a nuclear reactor near Baghdad.

Earlier this month, Cheysson said relations with Syria had deteriorated, partly because of Syrian criticism of President Francois Mitterrand's visit to Israel earlier this year.



Yamit zealots are lowered from their rooftop redoubt yesterday in a special "cage" device which the IDF brought to the town for the evacuation operation. (IPFA)

RAZING OF YAMIT

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led off to buses. The militants — mostly religious teenagers — continued to struggle after they were lowered to the ground.

Soldiers, border policemen and policemen grabbed them by their arms and legs and carried them away. Still on the roof, a colonel was seen patting a militant teenager on the shoulder, as the youth wept clutching a pole with the national flag waving overhead.

It took the soldiers about 15 minutes to occupy the roofs. A number of protesters then began descending on their own.

Meanwhile, officers and women soldiers entered the lower floors of the buildings to bring out the women and children inside. Eventually tempers cooled, and one former rooftop militant was seen shaking the hand of a major who escorted him to a bus.

Later in the day the IDF posted guards around the town to prevent expelled demonstrators from returning. Demonstrators evacuated to BeerSheva and other towns reportedly hired buses to come back in.

Yesterday's battle was in stark contrast to Wednesday's operation, when squatters received time to say their morning prayers, rose still wrapped in their prayer shawls and phylacteries, took their children's hands and walked silently to the waiting buses.

An officer said that on the night before the eviction he had made social calls on the families he was to evict. That helped to reduce tension when the time came for them to leave, he said.

Erez praised the officers and soldiers for having done their "unpleasant job with utmost care and responsibility."

"I am one of those who believe that this sacrifice had to be made. We had to take this chance for peace. Any army in the world can be proud of having men and women like you serving it," he concluded.

Later Erez thanked Rabbi Ariel, the head of the Yamit Yeshiva and one of the staunchest anti-

withdrawal movement leaders, for the responsible role he had played "at the moment of truth," and despite the fact that he had been a "tough opponent" of the army for many weeks. "Rabbi Ariel's stand during these past two days prevented many casualties," Erez said, shaking the rabbi's hand with great emotion.

Responding to the public praise, Rabbi Ariel revealed that earlier yesterday morning Erez had visited his home with some other officers. At one point Erez asked everyone else to leave and remained alone with the rabbi. "He then burst out in tears like a little boy," Rabbi Ariel said. "It was then that I knew that there was a real heart behind the general's tough appearance. If for his tears alone, our struggle was worthwhile." The frail rabbi then hugged and kissed the tall husky general.

Avi Farhan, on whose house the national flag was still flying, said bitterly: "When they will dare touch this flag, I will take it with me to Jerusalem, with my family and make Menachem Begin face us and look straight into my eyes, to see what he has done."

One of the men who helped build Yamit 10 years ago just stood there and kept asking: "Is that the peace? Is this how you hand back to your neighbour the land? Why could they not have left the houses and the laws the way they were, as a bridge to peace?"

Israel Amrani adds: There was resignation and sorrow at the anti-withdrawal headquarters in Psagot, a settlement near Ramallah, as reports from Yamit were received by two-way radio, and stories came in from evacuees.

In another development, four anti-withdrawal activists will ask the Jerusalem District Court today to declare that it is a legal duty for every Israeli citizen to act against giving Sinai to Egypt, since a law passed in 1977 states that anyone who causes intentionally, that any land... become the property of a foreign state" is guilty of treason and his penalty is "death or a sentence of life in prison."

U.S. praises Israel and PLO for intent to keep cease-fire

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The U.S. yesterday welcomed reports that both Israel and the PLO plan to abide by their cease-fire despite Israel's dramatic response on Wednesday to recent terrorist attacks.

"We are very pleased by the indications we have received that all parties concerned intend to respect the cease-fire," said State Department spokesman Dean Fischer.

The spokesman said that America's "key concern" remained that the cease-fire, negotiated last July with the help of U.S. envoy Philip Habib, should be maintained.

"We call on all parties to exercise the utmost restraint and to avoid actions which could prolong or escalate the violence," he continued. Indirectly praising both Israel and the PLO, he said: "We are gratified by the responsible positions adopted by the parties involved to avoid taking actions which could lead to a breakdown in the cease-fire."

In Jerusalem yesterday, Premier Menachem Begin met with Under-Secretary of State Walter Stoessel and assured him that despite Wednesday's bombing Israel was prepared to maintain the cessation of hostilities with the PLO — provided there were no terror attacks on her.

U.S. officials have confirmed that Washington sent a message to the

PLO on Wednesday — through Saudi Arabia and other Arab governments — urging that it do retaliate against Israel because of Wednesday's limited bombing attack.

Without specifically confirming those reports, Fischer said only that "we are in touch with a number of governments with influence on the situation." He refused to elaborate.

He reaffirmed America's longstanding refusal to deal directly with the PLO. Other U.S. officials have made it clear that third-party U.S. contacts with the PLO are acceptable to Israel.

Uncharacteristically, *The Washington Post* was relatively restrained in reacting to the Israeli bombing raid. In the past, the newspaper has been quick to condemn such Israeli aerial strikes.

Noting the national trauma in Israel because of the Sinai pullback, however, the newspaper yesterday commented in its lead editorial: "So this is not the moment for sermons to Israel. It is a moment for respect for Israel's anguish — and for mourning the latest victims of Israeli-Palestinian hostility. It is a moment to hope that the cease-fire across the Lebanese border holds."

American officials believe that under the circumstances, Israel could have conducted a much larger military action against the PLO — and possibly even against Syrian troops and missiles in Lebanon.

Egypt condemns 'all' Mideast violence

CAIRO (UPI). — Defence Minister Field Marshal Abdel-Halim Abu-Ghazala yesterday declared Egypt's opposition to all acts of violence in the Middle East and expressed hope they will be stopped immediately.

Abu-Ghazala was answering a reporter's question about Wednesday's Israeli air attacks on Palestinian positions outside Beirut in the southern town of Damour.

"They came at a very critical time," Abu-Ghazala said. "Egypt is always opposed to all conflicts and acts of violence and hopes they will be stopped immediately."

Observers noted that the Egyptian reaction to the Israeli attacks has been muted for fear of upsetting the Israeli evacuation of the Sinai desert next Sunday.

Arab world rages over Israeli raids

Post Mideast Affairs Reporter and agencies

Arab governments and news media yesterday condemned Wednesday's Israeli air raids on South Lebanon, with many venting their fury as much at Washington for allegedly backing the action as at Israel itself.

Newspapers in the Gulf denounced the U.S. for giving Israel "a free hand" in the Arab world, one paper claiming that the U.S. and Israel were bent "on emasculating the Arabs."

Jordanian newspapers described the raids as "an act of terrorism," warning that they were a "prelude" to a full-scale invasion of South Lebanon.

Saudi Arabia denounced the raids as "blatant aggression," and called on all Arab and Muslim countries to put aside their differences and close ranks "to confront Israel

campaigns against the Arab nation."

Qatar officially protested to the U.S. yesterday and warned Washington of "the consequences of continued American support for Israel."

The Islamic Conference Organization (ICO) charged that the U.S. veto in the UN Security Council debate on the Jerusalem shooting earlier this month had "encouraged" Israel to launch the raid.

Iran, meanwhile, in a Foreign Ministry statement issued in Teheran yesterday, declared its support for Syria and the PLO, saying it was ready to go to war against Israel "to eradicate this usurper regime from human society."

On the first anniversary of the death of our beloved mother and grandmother

MARTHA BRAUN מרת

a Memorial Service will be held at 4.30 p.m. on Sunday, April 25, 1982 at the Har Hamenuhot cemetery, Givat Shaul, Jerusalem.

We will meet at the cemetery entrance at 4.20 p.m.

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News media cover Yamit despite government ban

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The evacuation of Yamit has been almost fully covered by newspapers, radio and TV both in Israel and abroad, despite state-imposed limitations on journalists in the area.

Foreign TV networks have been using "pool" footage taken by a CBS TV news team. Israel TV's Yigal Goren was given permission to film in Yamit, but his colleague Peter Thaler, who had no permis-

sion, also managed to get into the area and report on the sometimes-violent confrontations between anti-withdrawal activists and the soldiers sent to remove them.

"We'll do whatever we can to cover the story," Broadcasting Authority Director-General Yosef Lapid told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday. "We're doing an important service to journalism and to the public," Lapid added, saying that "confusion about policy" in the Yamit area allowed TV and radio

journalists to bring back the story without undue difficulty.

Marek Geffen, editor of *Al Hanishmar* and chairman of the Israel Editors' Committee, said yesterday that the government "couldn't have done a worse job" regarding the coverage of the evacuation. At first, he asserted, they banned all media coverage, thus winning Israel an "anti-democratic" image in the free world. Then, Geffen said, they allowed newspaper journalists and

radio correspondents in, banning TV teams. Finally, they allowed TV teams in as well.

The editors' committee will consult with its legal adviser to decide whether to renounce its voluntary agreement on censorship that has been in effect since the founding of the state, in protest against what it calls the "censor's political censorship" of non-security news items. No court, Geffen said, would back up the government's censorship of political matters.

Ban on radio-TV interviews must be explained to court

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Broadcasting Authority, in response to a High Court of Justice show-cause order issued against it yesterday, is expected to claim that the Broadcasting Law permits a ban on interviews with elements hostile to the state.

The order was issued after a Tel Aviv lawyer and one-time Shelli activist Amnon Zichroni, asked the court to instruct the authority to rescind its management committee's recent decision banning initiated interviews with West Bank and Gaza Strip residents who claim the PLO is the legitimate representative of the Palestinians.

The authority has 45 days to respond.

The committee voted five to one to set an operating procedure whereby TV and radio journalists could not initiate interviews with such PLO supporters. Both Broadcasting Authority director-general Yosef Lapid and TV director Tuvia Sa'ar opposed the new regulation, arguing that the directors of TV and radio should be granted the power to consider whether interviews are newsworthy.

Zichroni argued before the court that the decision constituted "illegal prior censorship of facts and ideas," and pointed out that "security considerations cannot justify the step, since TV and radio interviews are almost always taped before being broadcast, thus allowing for editing before they are aired."

Justice Landau speaks out against 'intolerance, violence'

Supreme Court President Justice Moshe Landau has come out against "the fanatic militancy and lack of tolerance that have been sweeping over Israeli society during the past few years. He was speaking at a ceremony held at the Knesset on Wednesday on the occasion of his 70th birthday and his retirement next week.

Justice Landau's retirement comes at the end of 42 years on the bench, an unprecedented term in the history of the Israeli courts.

He also criticized the pursuit of material benefits, contempt of the law and violent acts of different groups who try to gain their ends by force.

Thanking his many well-wishers, Landau expressed his sorrow that

the ceremony was taking place on the day that the IDF had to take action in the North against an enemy and also against "a handful of Jews who do not know the meaning of democracy and rebel against decisions of the government and the Knesset, and thus undermine Israeli democracy."

He also mentioned a number of problems of the courts that remain unsolved: the absence of a law reforming the court system, the "serious damage done to the position of magistrate by the Finance Committee of the Ninth Knesset," the lack of real progress towards constructing a building for the Supreme Court, and the need to raise the salaries of the courts' administrative staff who are at the bottom of the salary scale. (Iim)

Court extends remand for suspect in girl's murder

TEL AVIV (Iim). — The remand of David Levy, who is being held on suspicion of murdering 11-year-old Nava Elimelech last month, was extended for another 15 days by the Tel Aviv Magistrates Court.

Judge David Bar-Ophir, in ordering the extension, said that there had been "progress" in the investigation of Levy on an array of suspicions. The judge, however, emphasized that Levy was being held on the basis of a "reasonable suspicion" and not on the basis of *prima facie* evidence.

Nava Elimelech disappeared from her Bat Yam home on March 20 and her severed head and thigh were found washed up on the Country Club beach on March 29. Levy, 58, of Bat Yam, had worked in Nava's father's shoe factory until he was fired seven months ago.

A police investigator told the court yesterday that the suspect was a fisherman, even though he had

previously denied any knowledge of the sea. (A navy expert theorized that parts of the girl's dismembered body had been tossed into the sea from a boat.)

The investigator also told the court that additional complaints had been filed against Levy for alleged sexual molestation of young girls. Levy was convicted in 1974 of molesting a boy.

Moreover, a lie detector test had turned up "certain suspicious findings" which the police did not outline in court.

Levy told the court that police investigators had employed violent methods during his interrogation, threatening to have him bitten by a poisonous snake and twisting his head around. He also claimed that a large policeman had stepped on his foot.

Police, however, dismissed Levy's claims of maltreatment and said that the interrogation was proceeding according to the law.

'Sulha' gets sexual assailant off lightly

HAIFA (Iim). — A man convicted of sexually assaulting a teenage girl was given a light sentence yesterday by the district court, after his village decided to banish him for three years and his family promised to pay \$10,000 compensation to the girl's family.

Ahmed Mohammed, 21, of Kaubab, near Nazareth, was given a two years' suspended sentence, in force for three years, after he admitted attacking a 16-year-old girl last May on her way home from school to the neighbouring Moshav Yodfat.

Mohammed was found guilty of committing an indecent act by force and assault and battery, for attempting to rape the girl and beating her up when she successfully resisted him.

Former MK Saleh Hanifas, police officials and village elders arranged a *sulha* (formal reconciliation) committee which arranged the settlement with the girl's family, restored the formerly good relations between the village and moshav, and banned Mohammed from the village for three years.

Girl, 7, raped when left at home alone

TEL AVIV (Iim). — A seven-year-old girl was hospitalized yesterday for injuries and shock suffered when she was brutally raped while alone in her Givatayim home. A 28-year-old suspect was arrested after police closed off the area near the flat and conducted a widespread search.

The girl, who was home alone, answered a knock at the door yesterday afternoon and a stranger

burst into the flat, police said. He raped the girl and then fled, they said.

The bleeding girl then managed to telephone her mother at work, who immediately called the police. The police decided to seal off the area and an intensive search turned up a suspect who matched the description given by the traumatized girl, police said.

Court says 'no' to poets' petition

The High Court of Justice has turned down the petition of two poets, Herzl and Balfour Hakak, to order the Hebrew Writers Association to show cause why it should not accept them as members. The court said the petition was not within its purview and recommended that the brothers, who are twins, and 34, turn instead to the district court.

The brothers claimed in their petition that they have been trying unsuccessfully for 10 years to join the association, the last time during the summer of 1981. They also said they are members of the Tehiya Party and take an active interest in public events.

The court ruled that "it is inappropriate that the court examine the rules that guide an organization like the association in accepting new

members, or how these rules are put into practice, when the petitioners are free to submit their complaint to a lower court."

(Asked by *The Jerusalem Post* last night, the association's chairman Shammai Golan refused to say why the brothers had been turned down. But he explained that membership applications are voted upon in secret ballot by the central committee. Although the committee has 17 members, two-thirds of those present are needed for acceptance.)

The brothers appended letters of recommendations from 17 writers, critics and public personalities to their petition. They said they wanted to join the association because they needed its protection in their negotiations with publishers and in other professional matters. (Iim)

U.S. inventor going to court to wrest device from Meridor

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — American inventor Kenneth Shatz is going to court next week to demand that Economic Minister Ya'acov Meridor and his partner Daniel Berman return his energy-saving device.

Shatz claims that the device was taken from him and sold to Meridor without his knowledge, and further development of this device infringes on his patents.

Shatz will demand in court a declaratory judgment and an injunction restraining anyone from working with his device until the court determines who is its real inventor. He will also demand that Meridor's Gas-On energy company return his prototype.

It was learned earlier this week that Gas-On was terminating its association with Berman because of his dubious past.

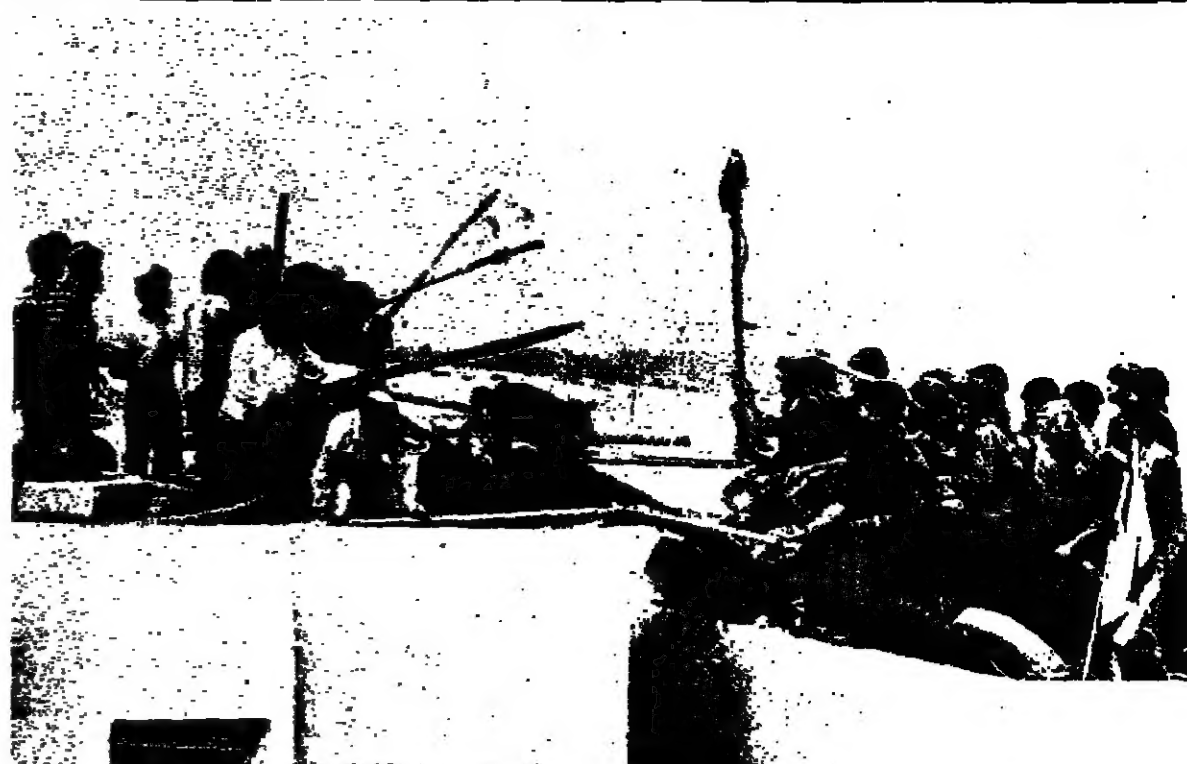
The decision to go to court came after more than a week of negotiations between Shatz and Meridor's people. Yesterday Gas-On's lawyers sent Shatz's lawyers a letter stating that they could not meet Shatz's demands. They claimed that they had bought the prototype from Berman *bona fide*, and that according to Berman, the prototype is his own invention.

They also said that from a close study of the U.S. patent that Shatz holds, the Gas-On device works according to different principles from the Shatz device.

Shatz told *The Jerusalem Post* that he was taking his legal step with a heavy heart. He said that he had wanted to settle the matter quietly for the benefit of the people of Israel, so that his invention could save energy for Israel, as well as create work for many Israelis.

Shatz said that he was leaving the country next week, saddened that Meridor's people did not allow him to see his own prototype, or talk and explain his feelings to Meridor. According to sources close to Meridor, the minister himself was the one who refused to meet with the American inventor.

Shatz said that this invention, which could have opened a new era for Israel, "may in a matter of weeks be sold to another country. He said he would not sell it to any Arab country, though he had received offers from such countries. He said he had received many offers, some for "many millions of dollars," but until now he had turned them all down since he had wanted to develop his invention in Israel.



Troops and Yamit diehards stand poised for confrontation yesterday on the rooftop of one of the last blocks of flats in the town. A moment after this picture was taken, the troops advanced and the rooftop was taken — with a minimum of violence and injuries. (IPPA)

Support for El Al's case crosses party lines

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — El Al will suffer irreparable damage and may even be destroyed if it ceases to operate on Saturdays and holidays, most Knesset Economic Committee members concluded yesterday.

"Closing El Al on weekends and holidays will cause the economy of the airline and the tourism industry enormous harm, and would constitute severe discrimination against El Al compared to private and foreign airlines," committee chairman Gad Ya'acobi said after the meeting yesterday. "Such a step would also involve workers' dismissals, and finally, the collapse of our national airline."

The Knesset committee was debating the conclusions of the public committee established to study the consequences of the proposed sabbath ban. The public committee is to submit its report to Transport Minister Haim Corfu today. It says that the direct financial damage caused El Al annually will total \$34-38 million; losses from the decrease of tourists to Israel by some 160,000 passengers will reach \$102m; losses in El Al's charter flights will reach \$3m; and losses to the airport authority \$5m.

Corfu, who did not attend the committee meeting yesterday although he was invited, said that the committee's figures were "amazingly high." But he said El Al may be closed on weekends and

holidays anyway, because Agudat Yisrael may cause a coalition crisis over the issue, apart from calling on its supporters throughout the world to boycott the airline.

Four Economic Committee members who belong to the coalition joined opposition members in opposing closing the airlines on weekends and holidays, it was learned. The Knesset is to debate the committee's recommendations on Sunday. Ya'acobi said.

El Al managing-director Yitzhak Shander and representatives of the Tourism Ministry, Histadrut, Hotels Association and El Al's works committees warned the committee of the damages to the airline and tourism by closing the airline on weekends.

Hope fading for boy missing since December

By JEFFREY HELLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BNEI BRAK. — In an act of desperation that reflected the mood at the home of the 13-year-old epileptic boy missing since last December, police yesterday again printed his picture in the afternoon newspapers.

Yoel Carmeli, who attended a special school for autistic children, disappeared from in front of his Givat Shmuel apartment on December 3, 1981 at 9 a.m. He told his mother, Miriam, that he was going outside to wait for his father who had gone to Kupat-Holim for a "letter" authorizing "the boy's hospitalization."

By the time Reuven Carmeli returned, Yoel — who was suffering from an adverse reaction to new pills he had been taking — was gone.

"We are doing our best to find the boy," a police source said. "But the investigation is at the same place it was when it began."

"I'm half-crazy from the whole thing," Miriam Carmeli said. "I'm on four valiums a day."

The family enlisted the aid of a Kalkilya soothsayer and a Bnei Brak rabbi for "information" about the missing child. Ego Carmeli is also offering a \$500,000 reward — gleaned from relatives — for news about Yoel.

Reuven Carmeli, who works at a nearby electronics plant, visits police headquarters every Friday and is invariably told, "We're looking, we're looking," the mother said.

But, she added bitterly, "the police are not doing anything." Miriam Carmeli is convinced that foul play is behind the boy's disappearance.

The police description of Yoel is more laconic: "Thirteen years old, 150 cm. tall. Full build. Brown eyes. Blond hair. Long face. Wide brow. Small nose. Light complexion. A scar on his left shoulder from a burn. When asked questions, doesn't give direct answers. Does not function independently."

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Schmidt's job hinges on missiles vote

MUNICH (UPI). — Chancellor Helmut Schmidt yesterday put his job on the line seeking the support of his Social Democratic Party for deployment of U.S. nuclear missiles in West Germany.

Schmidt has said he will resign if the party's national congress rejects NATO's decision to deploy American Cruise and Pershing II missiles in 1983 in the absence of an arms control agreement between the U.S. and the Soviet Union.

The stage was set at the week-long congress for a heated debate on the missile issue with peace movement supporters, including some leading party members coming out against deployment.

Erhard Eppler, a leader of both the party left-wing and the peace movement, coupled his criticism of Schmidt's policy with an attack on U.S. President Ronald Reagan and support for Sen. Edward Kennedy.

"Schmidt says he trusts Ronald Reagan," he said in a speech that won a standing ovation from spectators in the balcony. "I see no reason to trust Reagan."

He said Reagan has begun an enormous arms programme of an

extent never before seen in the world.

He called on the convention to support Kennedy's peace proposals by voting against Schmidt's arms policy, saying, "we must send a signal to Washington that we are for Kennedy against Reagan."

The party re-elected former chancellor Willy Brandt chairman yesterday by a large majority.

Brandt, the only nominee, received the votes of 388 of the 427 delegates. Thirty-one delegates voted against Brandt and seven withheld their votes. One ballot was invalid.

The 91.1 per cent vote was even a bigger majority than the 90 per cent Brandt received when he was re-elected at a West Berlin convention in 1979. He assumed the chairmanship in 1964 on the death of Erich Ollenhauer.

Schmidt was re-elected deputy chairman, receiving 83.7 per cent of the vote. He also was unopposed.

Schmidt, who is fighting to keep together not only the party but also its governing coalition with the tiny Free Democratic Party, was handed another problem on Wednesday when the congress voted

overwhelmingly for income tax increases in the top wage brackets.

Even as the vote was taken, Economics Minister Count Otto von Lambsdorff, a Free Democrat, said, "we will not have tax increases."

The Free Democrats, who hold the balance of power in the federal parliament, have hinted they might switch their allegiance to the Christian Democrats.

The demand for tax increases to finance a programme to combat rising unemployment — now nearing two million — could split the coalition that has ruled West Germany for 13 years.

But Schmidt won a key battle on nuclear energy.

Like the battle over nuclear arms, the debate on nuclear energy has deeply divided the party in the last two years, with a strong minority fighting any further expansion of nuclear power in West Germany.

The vote on a proposed two-year moratorium on nuclear plant construction produced almost a 2 to 1 majority against a freeze.

This was a clear victory for Schmidt.



The car seen at right held the bomb which exploded yesterday outside the offices of a pro-Israeli newspaper on the Rue Marbeuf in Paris, killing one person and injuring scores of others. (UPI telephoto)

Brezhnev shows up in public

MOSCOW. — President Leonid Brezhnev, looking grey and tired, reappeared in public for the first time in a month yesterday at a Kremlin ceremony honouring Lenin's birthday.

The 75-year-old Russian leader walked slowly but without assistance to his place of honour as 5,000 Communist Party faithful applauded vigorously.

Brezhnev, who appeared to have lost some weight since he dropped out of sight following a visit to Uzbekistan in late March, stood and clapped his hands weakly to acknowledge the ovation. He stood

for the national anthem, then donned a hearing aid and sat to concentrate on a 54-minute speech by KGB chief Yuri Andropov.

Andropov, who is considered one of the leading candidates to succeed Brezhnev, described the Soviet Union as being in the initial stages of "developed socialism."

Lenin's birthday also is usually marked by the awarding of Lenin Prizes to Soviet citizens and others renowned for their accomplishment in science, politics and the arts. This year's laureates included Brezhnev's personal physician, Dr. Yevgeny Chazov. (UPI, Reuters)

Chinese to have chairman again

PEKING (Reuters). — China announced yesterday it plans to reintroduce the post of state president, more than a decade after the last incumbent, Liu Shaoqi, died a pariah in prison during the Maoist "Cultural Revolution."

The New China News Agency said "the reinstatement of a chairman of the People's Republic" was one of the major changes in a revised draft constitution submitted to the standing committee of the National People's Congress — China's parliament.

The other important innovation in the text, the agency said, was the establishment of a central military council to lead the country's armed forces.

The agency said the draft constitution, after approval by the standing committee, would be submitted for nationwide discussion before going to a full NPC session for approval before the end of the year.

Western diplomatic sources said the most obvious candidate for the state presidency was Deng Xiaoping, the powerful Communist Party vice-chairman who was once a close collaborator of Liu Shaoqi.

Carter criticizes Reagan for neglect of Middle East

ATLANTA, Georgia (AP). — Former U.S. president Jimmy Carter has called on the Ronald Reagan administration to become as active in Middle East peace negotiations as it is in the Falkland Islands dispute.

"I appreciate Secretary (of State Alexander) Haig's efforts to prevent bloodshed and work out a solution to this impasse" between Argentina and Great Britain over control of the Falkland Islands in the South Atlantic, Carter said on Wednesday in Atlanta.

But referring to Israeli attacks on

Palestine Liberation Organization strongholds in Lebanon earlier Wednesday, Carter said, "it is a tragedy for our country and the world to see the continued violence in the Middle East."

Carter commented on the foreign policy of President Reagan during a news conference that followed an announcement of his appointment to the faculty at Emory University.

The former president said the Camp David accords, which were forged by Carter in 1978, "provide a very good basis on which the Israelis can reach peace with the Arabs."

Aden executes 10 for 'sabotage'

DOHA, Qatar (Reuters). — Ten South Yemenis convicted of sabotage activity were executed yesterday in Aden, the official Qatar news agency quoted Aden Radio as announcing.

It gave no details, but death sentences in South Yemen are normally carried out by firing squad.

South Yemen's supreme court earlier this month said the accused, members of an illegal group based abroad, planned to destroy vital economic installations including oil tanks in the South Arabian country.

The court said the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency had trained the men in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. Saudi Arabia has denied any involvement.

France jails three comrades of Carlos

PARIS (UPI). — A Paris court yesterday condemned to prison terms three alleged aides of international terrorist Iyich Ramirez Sanchez, alias Carlos.

Extreme leftist demonstrators in the crowd watching the trial greeted the verdict with a near riot and had to be expelled by police.

During the scuffles, a demonstrator tossed a tear gas bomb into the hall.

The French court handed down the verdict in defiance of a warning by Carlos that he would retaliate against members of the French government, starting with Interior Minister Gaston Defferre, if his friends went on trial and were not set free.

The court gave Swiss citizen Bruno Breguet five years in jail, his West German colleague Magdalena Kopp four years and their French accomplice Michel Jacquot 16 months, of which six were suspended.

Breguet and Kopp appeared in court on charges they were preparing terrorist attacks in France. Police arrested them in Paris last February in possession of explosives, firearms and grenades.

Breguet was jailed in Israel in 1970 after being convicted of attempting to smuggle a large amount of explosives into the country. He was pardoned in 1977 by then president Ephraim Katzir after repeated appeals by the Swiss government.

No miracle in sight for Polish economy

WARSAW (AP). — Polish Communist leaders yesterday blamed last year's labour upheavals and political tensions for wrecking the economy and warned Poles not to expect a quick turnaround under martial law.

"The mistakes of the 1970s, topped by the social tensions, strikes and protest actions broke down the economy," Marian Wozniak, central committee economic secretary, said in a report by the ruling Politburo. "We cannot expect any sudden miracles now."

Wozniak said Poles would "have to face hard work, and no one else will do it for us."

The central committee was elected last July under reformist pressures by the now suspended independent union Solidarity.

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Firestorm hits Southern California

ANAHEIM, California (AP). — A state of emergency has been declared following a firestorm that started when an electric spark from a fallen power line leaped from roof to roof in 96-kph winds, forcing up to 1,500 people out of their homes and causing \$50 million in damage.

The notorious dry winds known as the Santa Anas and the wood-shingle roofs of many of the 50 buildings destroyed by the fire Wednesday helped make the inferno the worst in the history of Orange

County, home of Disneyland, officials said. At least eight people were injured.

As the evacuees whose houses and apartments were burned sought shelter with friends or relatives, or in hotels that opened their doors to help, Anaheim fire chief Bob Simpson said it was "God's own miracle" no one died.

The winds, which gusted up to 160 kph in Fontana, 50 km. away died down by noon and the fire was put out.

Gambian president survives helicopter accident

BANJUL (AP). — Gambian President Sir Dawda Jawara escaped unhurt from a helicopter accident 200 kilometres east of Banjul, the capital of the West African nation, a communiqué from the Gambian information ministry said yesterday.

The announcement said the accident occurred on Wednesday after

noon during an election campaign trip. Sir Dawda, 57, was taken to hospital where his doctors told him to rest at home for several days.

The announcement gave no details on what happened to the other passengers of the helicopter or the circumstances of the accident.

North Korea accuses Seoul of provoking border clash

TOKYO (AP). — North Korea's official Radio Pyongyang yesterday accused South Korean soldiers of four separate provocations by firing across the demilitarized zone (DMZ) on Wednesday and early yesterday following the four-hour gun battle fought between the two opposing sides earlier Wednesday.

In a broadcast monitored here, the radio said the alleged "in-discreet acts of provocation" by the South Koreans occurred along the eastern and western sectors of the 242-kilometre-long DMZ after North Korea protested the initial shooting incident Wednesday to the Joint Armistice Commission's South Korean component.

In Seoul, a spokesman for the UN

command said an investigation was under way into the North Korean allegations, but no other information was immediately available.

"The radio did not say if North Korea suffered any casualties in the four shooting incidents."

North Korea confirmed Wednesday that it had suffered some casualties in the initial four-hour battle, the first this year and the most serious gunfight reported along the DMZ in many months.

South Korea said the firing began after four North Korean soldiers were "killed or wounded" by one of their own mines while trying to defect to the south along the central sector of the DMZ.

Special OAU meeting seeks to settle row on Polisario

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP). — The Organization of African Unity convened a special meeting yesterday to try to resolve what Kenyan President Daniel arap Moi called "the most serious challenge to the unity and survival of the OAU in its 19-year history."

Moi, current OAU chairman, said he called the meeting with "deep sorrow and regret" to discuss the division in the pan-African body over the decision by OAU Secretary-General Edem Kodjo to admit the Polisario Front guerrillas as the 51st OAU member.

The Polisario Front has been fighting Morocco for six years for independence of the Western Sahara, a strip of desert rich in phosphates on the northwest coast of Africa.

Kodjo, of Togo, made an administrative decision to admit the

Polisario Front to the OAU at a foreign ministers' meeting last February in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The Polisario delegates took their seats under the name Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic.

The surprise decision plunged the OAU into disarray. Morocco led a walkout of 19 nations from the Addis Ababa meeting, and the issue has since disrupted an OAU information ministers' meeting in Dakar, Senegal, and a labour ministers' conference in Harare (Salisbury), Zimbabwe.

Moi told the current meeting of the nine members of the OAU bureau that the organization is faced with the "unfortunate situation" in which it cannot hold a general meeting without a boycott by either Morocco and its allies or the nations siding with the Polisario Front.

Tampon company loses 'toxic shock' suit

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa (Reuters). — A federal jury has found Procter and Gamble company liable for the death of a 25-year-old woman who used its Rely tampons, and ordered the company to pay her husband \$300,000 in damages.

The suit brought by Michael Kehm accused Procter and Gamble of negligence in marketing Rely tampons because of their alleged link with toxic shock syndrome.

Patricia Kehm died in September 1980 four days after using Rely for the first time.

The jury took two days to reach

its verdict yesterday. The case is one of about 400 pending against the company, based in Cincinnati, Ohio, over Rely tampons.

Toxic shock syndrome was identified in 1978 and two years later the Centre for Disease Control in Atlanta reported an increase in cases, mainly involving menstruating women using tampons.

The disease includes such symptoms as diarrhea, vomiting, high fever and low blood pressure and has a mortality rate of about 5 per cent.

Princess Margaret said planning to remarry

LONDON (AP). — Princess Margaret, divorced younger sister of Queen Elizabeth II, plans to marry again and will announce her engagement to wealthy publisher Norman Lonsdale within six months, the Sun newspaper reported yesterday.

Lonsdale, 55, is an old Etonian

whose wife died three years ago. He has three grown children.

The princess has two children by her 14-year marriage to Lord Snowdon, a photographer, which ended in divorce in 1978.

The report quoted Lonsdale as saying he and the princess are very close friends, but are not engaged.

Would-be killer predicts comatose wife will wake

NEW YORK (Reuters). — Danish socialite Claus von Bulow says he believes his heirless wife will one day wake from the 16-month coma he was convicted of causing and clear him.

Von Bulow, free on \$500,000 bail until he is sentenced next month,

said in a television interview that he visits the New York hospital where his wife Martha, 50, lies senseless, and talks to her.

Von Bulow, 55, was convicted last month of trying to murder his wife twice with insulin injections at their mansion in the high-society summer colony of Newport, Rhode Island.

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Arab Music Band with National Choir (Egypt)
Conductor: Abdul Halim Nawara
Mann Auditorium: May 6, 8:30 p.m.
Concert — "Street Cries"
Works from Renaissance to present day, based on street cries of peddlers and hawkers from London, Paris, Vienna, Rome, etc. Singers, guitar, Mor-I-I recorder, quintet and guitarists. Keston Kanelis-Olar.
Pre-concert: Talk by linguist David Gil, Tel Aviv University, accompanied by recordings and demonstrations.
Tel Aviv Museum: May 6, 8:30 p.m.
Theatre Centre, Neve Tzedek: May 12, 8:30 p.m.
Stefano Grondona (Italy). Segovia Prize winner for 1978 guitar recital. Works: Bach, Sur, Giuliani, Ponce, Turina. Tel Aviv Museum: May 11, 8:00 p.m. Participation of Italian Culture Centre.
Works: Britten, Bach, Dowland, Ponce, Castelnuovo-Tedesco. Tzavta: May 15, 11:00 a.m.
"New Dimension Music"
Travelling concert of contemporary music in musical buses. From Tel Aviv Museum via Dizengoff Centre, to Old Jaffa and port. Israeli Chamber Orchestra, Tel Aviv Museum and Kol Israel live broadcast. May 9, 8:00 p.m.
Musical happening, leaving from old zoo. Conductor Arle Vardi conducts Saint-Saens' "Carnival of the Animals" — Israeli Chamber Orchestra and actors-pantomimists. Zoo site, Sderot Ben-Gurion: May 11, 4:00 p.m.
"Twilight Straps"
Guitarists meet at sunset (open to all guitarists and public). Directed by David Broza (Israeli) and Stefano Grondona (Italy). Hilton Beach: May 13, 5:30 p.m.
Brigham Young University Choir (U.S.A.)
A Capella concert. Conductor: Ralph Woodward. Works: Bach, Verdi, Dvorak, Copland and others.
T.A. Museum: May 11, 10:00 p.m.
Brigham Young University Choir (U.S.) and Israel Chamber Orchestra. Conductor: Ralph Woodward. Works: Bach, Vivaldi, Vaughn Williams, Brahms.
T.A. Museum: May 15, 7:45 p.m.
"Ars Antika"
Music of 16th, 17th and 18th centuries played on 16 authentic antique instruments. With Joseph Sag (counter tenor).
T.A. Museum: May 5, 8:30 p.m. Tzavta: May 8, 11:00 a.m. Participation of French Culture Centre.
French Vocal Group.
Conductor: Jean Addis. Top representative French choir in a capella concert. Works: Jannquin, Mendelssohn, Debussy, Poulenc and Schoenberg. T.A. Museum: May 8. Participation of French Culture Centre.
Street Concerts
Wind instruments in Tel Avivian music and song: "Spring Players", T.A. Youth Orchestra in Tel Aviv music and song programs. Conductor: San Lewis. Wolfson Park: May 5, 5:00 p.m.
Kiryat Ono Youth Band in Turkish marches in Eastern Turkish style. (in Hagisga, Jaffa: May 10, 5:00 p.m. Conductor: Aharon Alkalai.
I.D.F. Orchestra conducted by Yitzhak Gruzinski with Ramat Aviv Children's Choir. Hagisga Quartet: May 9, 5:00 p.m.
Tel Aviv Serenades. Mozart chamber music concerts. Serenades at Meonot Ovdin Heh (inside courtyard). Nocturnes by Mozart, 31 Rehov Prug: May 13, 7:00 p.m.
Serenades at Hagat Garden. Works: Beethoven and Regar. Behind Beit Lessin: May 10, 5:00 p.m.
Serenade at Babshalech Park (7 Gordon). Kleine Nacht Musik (Mozart) and "The Night" (Vivaldi). May 8, 5:00 p.m.
Serenades at Hanavim Garden, Russia and Beethoven. May 13, 5:00 p.m.
Tickets at Hadran, 90 Ibn Gabirol, Tel. 248787 and Le'an, Rococo and Castel agencies. Reductions for groups, work committees, institutions, kibbutzim and members of Campus and Hatzav Bank Le'umi clubs.
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Israel Dance Groups

First time under one roof, in special works on the theme, "Life in Tel Aviv". Participants: Bat-Sheva dance company; Inbal dance theatre; Kol Udemama dance group; Rina Schoenfeld dance group. Chamber Theatre: May 6, 8:30 p.m.

Rina Schoenfeld Dance Theatre

"Einstein On The Tel Aviv Seashore" — world premiere. Choreography: Rina Schoenfeld. Music: From "Einstein On The Seashore" by Philip Glass. T.A. Museum: May 9, 10, 8:00 p.m.

Inbal Dance Theatre

"Song of Songs". Premiere at Neve Tzedek. May 15.

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THE TEL AVIV FESTIVAL VISITING THEATRE

Charrow Theatre (England)

* "The Trial" by Franz Kafka. Adaptation and direction: Andrei Vlasovskii. First prize at Edinburgh Festival 1980. Tzavta: May 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9:00 p.m.; Khan Theatre, Jerusalem: May 5, 8:30 p.m.

* "Macbeth" by William Shakespeare. Director: Andrei Vlasovskii. "Dramatically powerful..." "Replete with imagination and talent..." "Gripping performance..." Courtyard of Theatre Centre, Neve Tzedek: May 7, 11:45 p.m.; May 8, 9:00 p.m. With participation of British Council.

Charles Lewsen (England)

(With participation of British Council)
"How Pleasant To Meet You, Mr. Lear". The "foolishness" of the world of melancholy behind the facade of the "foolishness" of Edward Lear. Beit Lessin: May 4, 5, 7, 8:30 p.m.

The Seventh Circle

"The most unique and superb presentation of all our festivals" (Harold Hobson, Sunday Times, 1981). Beit Lessin: May 5, 8, 8:30 p.m.

Piccolo Teatro Di Fontedra (Italy)

* "And A Little Not To Die"
About the life of Giacomo Puccini, his wives, loves, dreams and original songs. Theatre Centre, Neve Tzedek: May 3, 4, 5, 6, 9:00 p.m.

* "The Wardrobe of Eleonora Duse"
Portraits, recollections, imaginings on the life of the celebrated actress. Theatre Centre, Neve Tzedek: May 1, 2, 7, 9:00 p.m.

* "Concave Mirror"
Based on romances and duets by Puccini. Theatre Cafe, T.A. Museum: May 2, 5, 1:30 p.m.

Billedstof Theatre (Denmark)

(With participation of Danish government)
Street processions of total theatre. Details will be published on procession routes and times.

Pantomime Circus of Lotta Goslar (U.S.)

Colourful presentation of laughter and sorrow in dance, theatre and pantomime. For children, youth and entire family. T.A. Museum: May 3, 4, 4:00 p.m.

* "Ain't Misbehavin'"
Musical based on compositions by "Fats" Waller, presented by the original Broadway cast. Mann Auditorium: May 14, dress rehearsal, 2:30 p.m.; May 15, 8:30 p.m.

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A DIALOGUE OF THE DEAF

YOKO, the stewardess on a domestic flight bound for Japan's far north, gave me an openly quizzical look. Why would anyone want to leave the relative warmth (15°C) and comfort of Tokyo to travel to the farthest extremity of the northern island of Hokkaido (-20°C) in mid-winter (February 7) just to look at some Russian-occupied islands?

"We young people neither know nor care about the islands," Yoko, 24, informed me. "I myself happened to discuss them recently with a friend who's politically active. But before that I was just vaguely aware that there are some islands somewhere in the north with a problem."

My escort, Rear-Admiral (Retd.) Kozo Ohashi, squirmed in his seat. His woolly seaman's balaclava, specially retrieved for our sub-polar expedition, could not hide the look of disapproval on his face.

I pondered on a passage from a government pamphlet, "Japan's Northern Territories: The attachment of the Japanese people to these inherent territories of their own," it said, "is deep-rooted and very strong, and this sentiment is expected to become even stronger in the years ahead."

Hopefully, Ohashi held a copy of the day's *Yomiuri Shimbun* (circulation 11 million). February 7 is the annual Northern Territories Day and the government had placed huge ads in all the newspapers, reminding the public how the Russians had swept into the cluster of islands off Hokkaido during the last days of World War II, evicted the 16,000 indigenous Japanese fishermen, farmers and miners, and turned a deaf ear to Japan's protests ever since. Recently, Moscow had begun building advanced military installations on the islands.

"I read a great deal," Yoko responded cheerfully. "And I'm interested in lots of things. But not in that. The Arab-Israeli conflict for instance — now that interests me much more than the Northern Territories." And she proceeded to tell us about her holiday in Jordan and why she had not visited Israel because she hadn't wanted an Israeli visa in her passport, but she hoped to come here soon on one of her annual globe-trotting holidays.

IN NEMURO three hours later we

slipped and slid over the frozen snow into the town's Museum of the Northern Territories. The curator, Mr. Itaya, himself a refugee from the Territories, was waiting for us alone. It was a Sunday, and so, Northern Territories Day or not, the museum was closed to the general public.

The museum exhibits stuffed birds and animals from the islands, as well as trees and plants — all purporting to show that even in matters of flora and fauna the islands are naturally part of Japan, and distinct from the Kurile archipelago which stretches on northwards towards the Soviet Union.

There are also pre-1945 tins of fish and sea-food (the waters around the islands are one of the richest fishing areas in the world), and old photographs and documents portraying life on the islands before the Russians moved in.

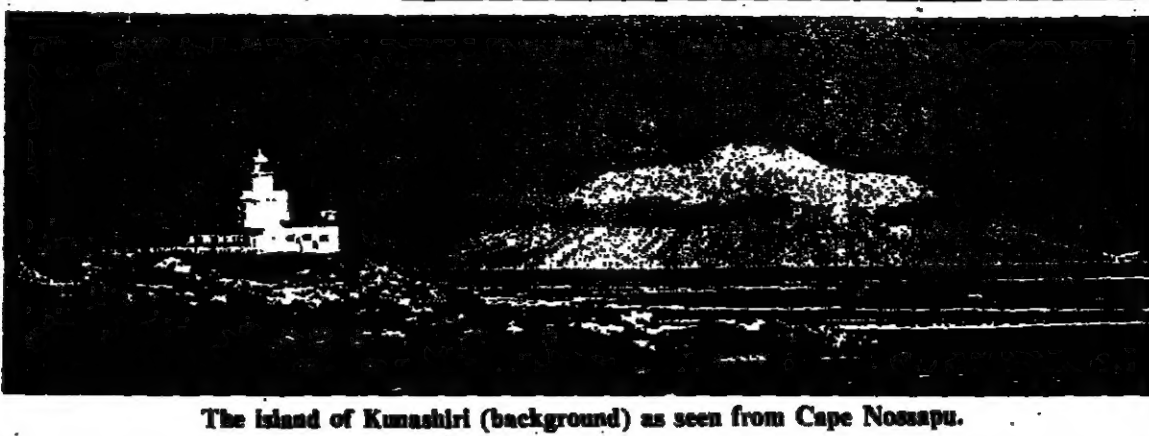
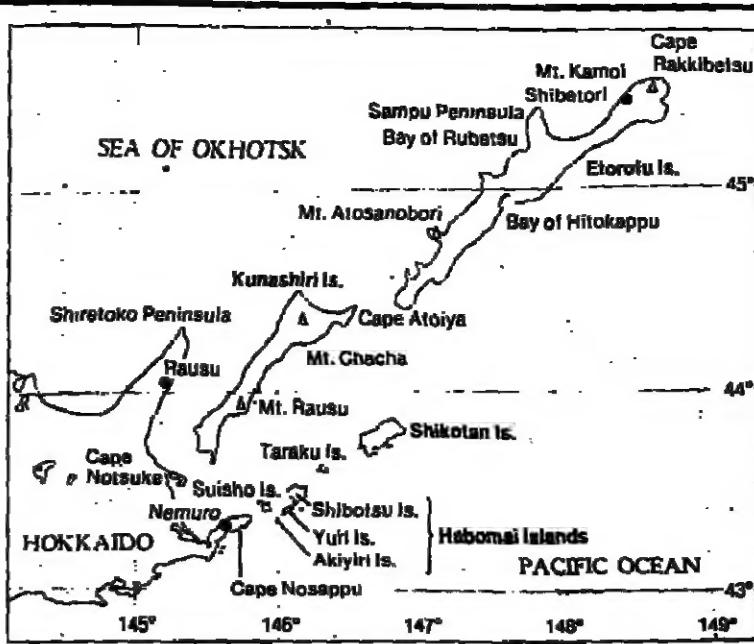
As we thawed out around his office stove, Mr. Itaya told us sad stories of how some of the ousted island families had found it hard to make new lives on the mainland. He spoke sadly, too, of the dogged, uphill struggle by the Return of the Northern Territories Association, a government-supported group, to arouse and sustain popular interest in the issue.

FROM NEMURO it is 20km. by road to the tip of Cape Nosappu, the nearest point to the nearest island, Suisho. (Despite the thick snow blanketing Hokkaido in the winter, the roads are kept largely clear.)

At the cape, a starkly impressive memorial has recently been completed. A vast, irregularly proportioned brown metal arch, shielding beneath it an eternal flame. Alongside it a symbolic stretch of road, pointing towards the islands, cobbled with stones taken from every part of Japan.

Looking through the arch — or through the high-powered binoculars of the Northern Territories Building nearby — one can clearly see the Soviet coastguard troops on Suisho, and the sailors on the Soviet warship stationed per-

The Jerusalem Post's Diplomatic Correspondent David Landau recently visited Japan as guest of the Japanese Foreign Ministry. He was particularly interested to learn about defence problems. Here is the first of two reports.



The island of Kunashiri (background) as seen from Cape Nosappu.

manently at the mid-way point between Suisho and Cape Nosappu. To the west looms the huge bulk of Kunashiri Island, its peaks and plateaus peering out of the mist.

It would have been possible, (though no doubt reckless) to actually walk across to the Soviet vessel: the sea was frozen solid. Mr. Nakabayashi, director of the Northern Territories Building, focused the field-glasses on a Siberian eagle, strutting about on frozen waves. "He's been with us for two weeks," he said. "He is a welcome guest..."

The Russian ship was an 800-ton ice-breaker. In warmer weather, said Mr. Nakabayashi, they deploy a fast patrol boat. Once a year they bring in more ships, and hold landing exercises.

Neither Nakabayashi nor more senior officials at the Self-Defence Agency in Tokyo were prepared to confirm the stubborn reports that the Soviets had deployed their dreaded SS-20 medium-range nuclear missiles on the islands. "What's the difference," one official remarked. "They can hit us with SS-20s from inside Russia..."

What the Japanese government does say is that a full Soviet division is now encamped on the islands — and that four of the Japanese army's 12 divisions are stationed permanently on Hokkaido.

Because of the Northern Territories Question, no peace treaty has yet been signed between the Soviet Union and Japan.

At Yalta, in February 1945, the Allies agreed that "the Kurile Islands" (along with other Japanese-held territories) should be returned to the Soviet Union after

the war. Japan has constructed an elaborate jurisprudence since then maintaining firstly, that "the Kurile Islands" is a term that does not include Etorofu, Kunashiri, Shikotan and the Habomai (the Northern Territories), and secondly that, anyway, Japan was not a party to the Yalta agreement.

In 1956, Russia offered to return Shikotan and the Habomais "whose actual accession to Japan will be subject to the conclusion of a peace treaty between Japan and the Soviet Union."

Japan refused, and to judge by current Soviet military activities on Shikotan, the offer has effectively lapsed. Indeed, the Soviet stance has hardened over the years. Since the mid-70s, Moscow has insisted that Japanese wishing to visit the graves of their ancestors on the islands must obtain visas. This would be tantamount to a recognition of Soviet sovereignty, and, as a result, grave visits have ceased.

THE OFFICIAL Soviet position now is that "there is no territorial problem" with Japan, and Soviet propaganda attributes Japan's harping on the subject to "outside instigation."

With Japan and the Soviet Union trading to the tune of \$3.4 billion a year (1979 figure), and with other forms of economic cooperation expanding apace, it might well be asked what practical effect the lack of a peace treaty has had on relations between the two countries. But high Japanese officials maintain that there is a real and tangible economic impact, in addition to the political implications.

"The Northern Territories issue is a brake on the development of economic ties with Russia," one official explained. "Businessmen fear the abnormality of the relationship due to the lack of a treaty. They fear that in a political emergency, business deals and contracts would more easily be disrupted by one or other of the governments because of the lack of a peace treaty... It is no accident that our commercial ties with the Soviet Union are ex-

panding less rapidly than those of some other Western countries." In military and strategic terms, the issue is one piece in the intricate mosaic of Asian power-politics involving the Soviet Union, the U.S., China, Japan and other regional powers.

"The islands are meaningless to Russia," an assistant director-general at the Foreign Ministry in Tokyo asserted. But he was being a little disingenuous: the Soviets obviously fear that if the islands were in hostile hands, Moscow's Far East fleet would be in danger of being boxed in. (The fishing riches, moreover, and the potential mineral wealth of the islands are important factors.)

"At any rate," this senior Foreign Ministry aide continued, "it's a dialogue of the deaf."

The Soviets, he explained, clearly felt they could not afford to make any concession. They still had unresolved territorial disputes with China (over vast tracts of Siberia), with Finland and with several of the European satellite-states. "The Soviet logic is: once a concession is made, it becomes a precedent."

For Japan, too, it was all-or-nothing. There could be no question of ceding the two larger islands in return for retrieving Shikotan and the Habomais. "No government can make territorial concessions without the will of the people."

THE WILL of the people. That amorphous commodity seems to hard to gauge in modern-day Japan. Back in Nemuro we stopped off at the local snow-festival, held to mark Northern Territories Day. With the aid of Mr. Itaya and our driver, I ascertained from the laughing, furrowed children, between mouthfuls of candy-floss, that they had no idea what the festival was supposed to commemorate.

All they knew was that the Self-Defence Forces had built giant monsters and slides and animals out of coloured ice and snow — and the children of Nemuro were having a wonderful time.

"The army does this sort of thing to improve its image," Rear Admiral Ohashi explained.

Was there just a tinge of disdain in his voice? When he first put to sea, in the late thirties, the armed services had other things on their mind than snow-festivals.

Pen and the sword

Motti Ben-Yanai describes the first battle of Yamit.

THE GREAT evacuation exercise really began on Monday two days before official D-day and H-hour. The go-ahead came early last Sunday from Defence Minister Ariel Sharon when he prohibited journalists in the condemned town from carrying out a planned survey of the various resistors opposing Israel's withdrawal.

In advance of this event, a great gathering of the journalistic clans had already taken place in Yamit. Television crews, radio journalists and technicians, news magazine reporters and even plain newspapermen — mostly seasoned witnesses of world-shaking events — were there in numbers. They were not particularly impressed by

the defence minister's order to get out of Yamit immediately.

They made the classic error of underestimating the strength of the enemy. But how could they know of the many hours of intensive planning and strenuous training put in by an elite unit of the world's finest fighting force to cope with just this dangerous eventuality?

The IDF's response was swift and decisive. The elite unit of the IDF Spokesman's Office swept into the field and carried out the complex task of identifying defiant journalists with skill and efficiency. A big help was the fact that the journalists favoured rather luxurious vehicles from a world-famous car hire network.

Thus the campaign began with a striking early victory for the IDF spokesman's corps, which managed to trap a small number of reporters by as early as 8 o'clock Monday morning and immediately ordered them out of Yamit. The force returned unscathed to its base to enjoy a well-earned rest.

The journalists didn't leave. Only one bemused photographer from the Far East and an amateur video enthusiast thought Ditzengoff the better part of valour and departed. The rest went underground. They were welcomed back with joy tempered by a tinge of irony by the official resistance to the withdrawal — the followers of Meir Kahane, members of the Stop the Withdrawal in Sinai, former Yamit region residents and hangers-on, who were determined to make an event out of the evacuation.

Sweat-soaked slogans like "Don't Uproot What Has Been Planted" and "The Movement Against Withdrawal" became the fashion among the elite of world journalism. Of course, knitted skull-caps were de rigueur for the men. The most cynical, however, did not bother with even an elementary disguise. The foreign television crews, accustomed to invincibility from countless similar battlefields, merely ignored the spokesman's threats.

THE SPOKESMAN'S corps moved smoothly into the retaliatory phase. First it reinforced itself with a small force of policemen. Together the detachment moved at dusk on the fortified parking lot where most of the television crews had parked their caravans.

Two of the crews, more daring than the rest, merely drove through the roadblock set up. The others were mercilessly transported out of the prohibited zone — as far as the police roadblock at Kerem Shalom.

Now the war in Yamit began in earnest. While the vast international communications networks raised howls of dismay from their head offices, the journalists on the spot got their heads down and prepared for a long and bitter underground struggle. While the editors of Israel's newspapers created a diversion with their daring and momentarily successful assault on the Kerem Shalom roadblock, the members of the journalistic maquis in Yamit deepened their cover and completed their camouflage.

Many enjoyed the warm embrace of various groups of resistors, and disappeared within their ranks until the real evacuation began. Others, in an old-established resistance tradition, equipped themselves with new identities and misleading papers. One well-known woman

journalist who works for a mass-circulation Israeli weekly arranged a fictitious marriage with one of the contractors working on dismantling structures, and enjoyed the rights of complete freedom of movement conferred by her "husband's" permit.

Another reporter got past Kerem Shalom into the area by presenting documentary evidence that he was on his way to Egypt via Neot Sinai. He stopped over in Yamit for some days. A photographer from the Balkans who arrived in Israel for the first time on Monday, was by Tuesday committed to Habad hassidim, observing that movement's dress customs with rigour. A colleague from France admitted himself to the ranks of Kach, and greeted Rabbi Kahane's arrival with shouts of excitement and the movement's clenched-fist salute. A producer from a foreign television network discovered hidden engineering talents as he became a repairman for cranes that developed faults during the work of dismantling prefabricated structures. To his chagrin, he was recalled by his own high command when the foreign press pool decided to send in an officially accredited representative.

THE CRACK IDF spokesman's unit

made a rapid adjustment to the new prevailing conditions of warfare, and succeeded in unmasking several members of the press underground — mainly through the latter's careless insistence on using their large and expensive hired vehicles, against all the principles of successful urban guerrilla warfare.

Under heavy pressure, about 15 reporters decided to adopt the tactics of the most successful local guerrilla commanders, and barricaded themselves into two apartments already used and abandoned by their unlikely comrades in the struggle, members of the Stop the Withdrawal in Sinai Movement.

And they took to the air, issuing an impassioned communiqué on their underground radio stations — Gali Zahal and Kol Yisrael — saying

they were determined to man their posts until the last journalist was given permission to cover the events of Yamit's evacuation freely.

During the actual evacuation, withdrawal and final dismantling of Yamit, which began on Wednesday, the combined underground forces of the media found themselves shoulder to shoulder in the various barricaded flats and on the rooftops with the other defiers, the opponents of the withdrawal, and together they waited for the steel cages to descend, and the polite hands of IDF girl soldiers to guide them to the evacuation vehicles.

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A THUNDEROUS SILENCE

Sephardi community leaders should speak up and dissociate themselves from the political hay being made out of the Abuhatzzeira case, writes *The Jerusalem Post's* YOSEF GOELL.



Aharon Abuhatzzeira (Zoom 77)

Abuhatzzeira and his crew are attempting to hide.

SOME YEARS ago, while I was lecturing at a university in Bangkok, my host asked for my comments on a paper he had written on comparative political corruption. I

pointed out that in ranging over the wide world he had failed to refer to his native Thailand and to most Third World countries. He admitted the conscious omission, but excused himself by saying that the term corruption was meaningful only in societies which regarded it as unacceptable. "But in our countries, what you Westerners call corruption is an entrenched way of life and the term is meaningless."

His comment was certainly applicable to various Middle East countries, where it is taken for granted that politicians who become ministers — not to mention presidents — will use their positions to enrich themselves. It was undoubtedly true of Morocco. What we tend to forget is that the same was also true in the early years of this century of the East European countries from which most of our "Ashkenazi" founding fathers came.

In all truth it should also be stated in order to maintain perspective, that although such attitudes are not generally held in the United States, the incidence of political

corruption and venality in its state and local politics is astronomically higher than it is in Israel today.

THE SURPRISING, and encouraging thing, about modern Israel is the speed with which Jewish immigrants from non-democratic and corrupt societies in all parts of the world did adapt to standards of relative democracy and probity in government, which were the declared norms, if not necessarily always the practice of the new state. The adaptation was certainly far from total as has been shown by the dirt we have been privileged to glimpse periodically when the carpet is lifted momentarily on such flaps as last year's Afarsk File charges in connection with the sacking of Police Inspector-General Herzl Shafir by Minister of Interior Yosef Burg.

Abuhatzzeira's supporters are correct on one point: that the institutionalized party corruption that is apparently standard operating procedure in some National Religious Party ministries did not originate in Morocco. Where they are dead wrong is in seeking to use those cases of party-instigated and condoned corruption as carte blanche for getting their own mounds into the public trough.

Ideally, the Abuhatzzeira conviction, and even his formal acquittal on one of the other charges due to Dr. Burg's objection to appearing as a witness, might be used as a lever to pry open the lid on the Afarsk File.

This has indeed been proposed by MKs such as Amnon Rubinstein and Shulamit Aloni, and they are to be commended for it. But the trouble with the Rubinstein and the Aloni is that they are regarded as professional do-gooders. MKs of Moroccan origin should be the ones to be pursuing that tack.

In the final analysis, however, the continuing fight for honesty in government can most realistically be pursued by anything that contributes to the weakening of the blackmail hold of small parties like Tami, Agudat Yisrael, and even the NRP, on the major parties. In this sense, the prospect of new elections that could possibly result in such an outcome is certainly a desirable one.

There is cause for optimism in the fact that Tami, as an unabashed ethnic party that is out for its part of the pork barrel (you should pardon the expression), won only a small share of the North African vote last June. If men and women of stature in the North African communities, and the national leaders of the major parties, would evince the courage to use the Abuhatzzeira conviction as an educational tool, it might well be that the Tami bogeyman of growing ethnic strife in politics could be exorcised in the next election.

I HAVE BEEN waiting, ever since the verdict in the Aharon Abuhatzzeira trial on Monday, for persons of political and social renown of Moroccan and North African origin to screw up their courage and publicly dissociate themselves and their communities from the guilty minister.

To the best of my knowledge, and to my regret, none has so far done so.

Normally, to expect an entire community to dissociate itself from the wrongdoings of one of its members could be considered the height of impudence and of prejudice. In the present case, however, the expectation is a reasonable one, for Abuhatzzeira, his cronies who are his immediate supporters, and the spokesman for Tami, the party he has set up as a personal vehicle, have made no secret of their belief that not only Abuhatzzeira, but Israel's entire Moroccan community was on trial.

Insinuations that the charges against Abuhatzzeira were a nefarious "Ashkenazi plot against one of ours who had made good," have been bruited about ever since his first trial on charges of diverting government subventions in return for bribes.

He was found not guilty of those charges primarily because the main state witness had been brow-beaten to such an extent as to turn him into a babbling, incoherent dummy. The verdict of not guilty then was effective in muting the charges of an "Ashkenazi plot."

But they were revived when the state "dared" to file new charges within days of that acquittal, and they came to full bloom following Monday's verdict of guilty on three of the counts.

ONE CAN understand why nothing was said in refutation of those insinuations during the trial. One can even understand, although not condone, the failure of leading political figures in the major parties who are again angling for the Moroccan vote in what will most likely be a premature election year, to speak up for the good name of that community.

But where are the public figures who are not simply short-sighted politicians? Where are the men who determined, this year, with quite a degree of success to lend an air of dignity to the Mimouna? Who sought to expunge the poor image that had characterized that Moroccan festival in previous years and to pitch it around the theme of national integration and unity and ethnic dignity?

They are the ones who should be speaking out now against the attempt to besmirch an entire community with the guilt and reprehensible standards of a few bad apples. Several years ago, when Asher

Yadlin, the former head of Kupa Holim, was convicted on charges of accepting bribes, he complained bitterly that his erstwhile "friends" in the Labour Party leadership had "deserted" him and had failed to adhere to the accepted custom of having the charges quashed. The truth of the matter is that the decision by the then prime minister Yitzhak Rabin, and his Labour colleagues to break with past practice and have the courts decide on their colleague's guilt or innocence, without any political interference, was one of the highlights of an otherwise lacklustre government.

In the present case, Abuhatzzeira was found guilty largely on the basis of his own unabashed testimony; a testimony that sought to establish the impression that the diversion of funds from a charitable institution controlled by a public dignitary and his cronies for their personal needs, was perfectly acceptable behaviour. It is this horrendous assumption that must be punctured, and it can be done most effectively by respected leaders of the Moroccan community behind whom

The cruellest month

Jerusalem Post Political Correspondent MARK SEGAL looks at the most likely political turns of fortune in post-withdrawal Israel.

programme on the West Bank, and trusted he would do the reverse in their second term, in rolling back the Israeli presence in Sinai.

Under Sharon's stewardship the Israel Defence Force has become engaged to an unprecedented extent in dealing forcibly with civilians. One fears that a thin line may have been crossed in the process, with a most deleterious effect on the attitudes of young soldiers towards the military's role in the nation's life.

This could leave scars for many years to come. The leniency shown towards right-wing demonstrators over recent years reached its highest point, so far, in the initial official connivance with the Gush Emunim squatters and the rest of the anti-withdrawal demonstrators.

Likud politicians who excused the official line all those months with talk of "it will show the world how much of a sacrifice we have made," are now reaping what they sowed. Their instinctive response was to seek to keep the anticipated traumatic struggles off the TV screens.

WILL BEGIN choose Sharon as his successor? It is too early to tell. Many Beginologists point to the Herut leader's past record of cutting would-be heirs down to size. The party's annals are replete with the wrecked careers of heirs apparent. There are those who claim that Begin saddled Sharon with the job of flattening the Rafah Approaches in order to eliminate him as a threat from the right. No one should underestimate Sharon's capacity for survival or his prospects within Herut. Yet as the Movement Against Withdrawal in Sinai begins to disintegrate, so the Herut "Drive to Stop Arik" will gain momentum. Herut: old hands advise me that the competition at last week's Young Herut convention in Jerusalem between Sharon, Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Deputy Premier David Levy for who would be more hard-line towards Egypt and the PLO was a function of their struggle to win the Herut succession battle. Those surprised at the extremist position taken by the soft-spoken foreign minister seemed to have forgotten that he is the candidate of the dominant party coalition for the premiership after Begin. The Herut convention is a few months away, and its delegates will in effect resolve the party's future pecking order. The alliance of Levy, Shamir and Finance Minister Yoram Aridor is less confident than it will admit that its dominance of the party machine and executive forums will counter Sharon's appeal to the rank-and-file. Begin can be expected to stay above the fray, making occasional considered interventions.

WHAT WILL come after April 26? Obviously, Begin will endeavour to shore up his coalition and ease it off its razor-edge majority of 61. But there are a number of scenarios being discussed as to how he will go about this in the post-withdrawal period. The first

runs like this: Begin's people are confident he can weather the crisis caused by the Abuhatzzeira conviction. They are sure of two things — first, the Tami leadership, especially Abuhatzzeira, knows that Begin could undermine their hold on their North African constituency by frontal attack on them in this community where Begin and Levy have a much greater following.

Second, they are sure Tami will not opt out of the coalition. They expect a battle royal between Abuhatzzeira's deputies, Aharon Uzan and Benzion Rubin, for his cabinet post in a divide-and-rule situation which will benefit Begin. Both Tami runners-up know that the moment they cross the floor, all their appointees to government jobs will be out. Begin's aides do not think an attempt to make a martyr of Abuhatzzeira will succeed or in any way gain Tami political leverage.

With the Tami problem safely controlled, this scenario goes on: the Likud will try to close its deal with Telem's Mordechai Ben-Porat, half-expecting that disappearing faction to split in two, with MK Yigael Hurvitz probably staying outside. Then once the dust of withdrawal has settled, the Likud hopes to bring in at least part of Tehiya's three-man faction, under the slogan, "Unite around Judea and Samaria."

There are a number of places where this scenario could slip: Tami's desire for revenge might overwhelm personal ambitions among the leadership; Telem might not prove so tractable, and it's difficult to see Tehiya's Genda Cohen and Hanan Porat making up so quickly with Herut, although Yuval Neeman appears more amenable to the idea. There is a sneaking suspicion that the invitation to Tehiya is intended to split the party which took votes from Herut.

The next step would be early elections, which Beginologists say the Likud leader decided on some time ago. His approaches to other parties, particularly Labour, are part of this maneuver. Yet he too is aware that once April turns into May, the clouds may gather and a mood of national emergency may sweep the country. This could turn a pre-election maneuver into a real prospect for a broad coalition or government of national unity.

BUT BEFORE we analyze this possibility, Scenario Number Two, mooted by people around Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres, must be considered. It bases its premise on the twin likelihoods of Tami going for vengeance on the Likud rather than sticking to power and patronage, and on the Likud's fall over some religious issue, compounded by right-wing bitterness against Begin in the wake of withdrawal.

At the moment, Likud analysts claim that Labour's prognosis is too far-fetched to worry them. They are especially scornful of Labour's hope of absorbing some unhappy MKs from the Likud's own ranks, to accord it a workable Knesset majority — apart from passive support from the Communist group. Besides, Likud politicians say Begin has a sworn promise from the two religious parties that if his government does fall in a no-confidence vote, they will prefer early elections to switching to Labour.

But the feeling is abroad that some NRP politicians are having second thoughts about the wisdom of their partnership with Herut, in view of their party's collapse at the June 1981 polls. The more moderate wing speak of their close association with Herut as a kind of kiss of death, while even hawkish Deputy Foreign Minister Yehuda Ben-Meir, an outspoken advocate of the alliance, has galvanized his party by his bitter denunciation of Gush Emunim in *Hatzofe*, calling for a return to the mainstream of religious Zionism.

But even if Peres replaces Begin, his difficulties in keeping a government afloat would be manifold, and that's why the pundits see early elections as inevitable. The question is when. In the Likud they are talking of two alternative dates — November or next April, in both cases together with the local government polls. One reason for considering spring elections is that the later date is preferred by the NRP, for reasons of internal politics and state financing — the latter is said to be hooked to the timetable of paying off debts for last June's election.

A further cause for Likud confidence that Begin could stay on for another six months is that the summer Knesset session commencing in May lasts only for two-and-a-half months, which limits the time available for tabling no-confidence motions. The Knesset can be recalled during the ensuing summer recess, but it cannot hold no-confidence votes. So they argue that if the premier can weather what promises to be a rather stormy period, he will be in the clear until the spring elections.

Yet this prognosis sounds much too glib, considering the current turbulent state of the coalition factions.

HENCE SCENARIO Number three: the national unity government. So far neither Peres nor his arch-rival Yitzhak Rabin has entirely ruled out this possibility. Begin has already said that a common denominator could be found between Likud and Labour in the autonomy plan.

Within Labour's inner councils the arguments for joining a grand coalition include "saving Israel from Sharon's irresponsible influence," preventing a war in the north; defending the peace process with Egypt; restoring quiet in the territories; and giving succour to the autonomy scheme. The debate inside the Opposition party is intense, with the cons implying that the pros' desire to return to office blinds them to the disadvantages. They concede that Begin would like to go down in history as having headed a government that included the disciples of David Ben-Gurion and Berl Katznelson. But they also argue that Begin's offer is part of his persistent design to reduce the Labour Alignment from its present state of equality with the Likud, since he knows that should Peres lead Labour into a Begin cabinet, Mapam, Shulamit Aloni and Yossi Sarid might break with the Alignment faction. This would mean that Peres would have only 41 instead of 48 MKs behind him.

Labour pundits are also divided over the extent to which the longstanding rivalry between Peres and Rabin might interfere with joining a broad coalition. Some say both men are anxious to get into harness once more before Yitzhak Navon ends his presidential term next year, and that Peres in particular is anxious for an early move to safeguard his position against likely challengers.

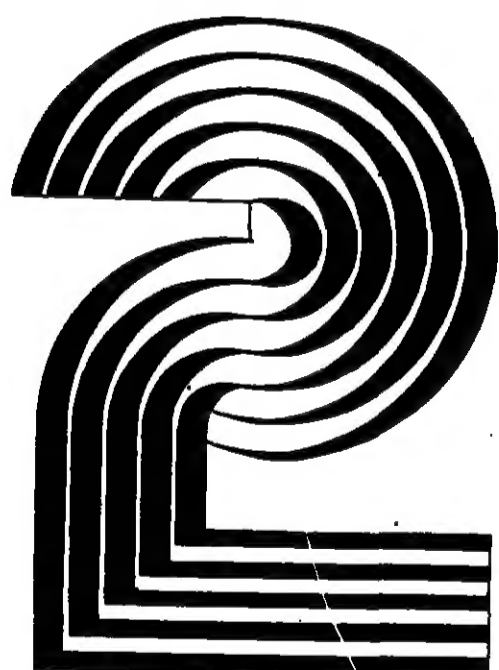
There are those on both sides of the Knesset who claim that the key to a national coalition lies in the fate of the defence portfolio — or to be precise, whether Begin can overcome right-wing pressure against replacing Sharon at the ministry by Peres, (or Rabin or Haim Barlev). After all, control of the defence portfolio would be a key element in Peres' argument to his party's central committee to persuade them to join a government they now brand feckless. Some Beginologists even take the line that this is precisely what the premier has in mind. After all, once the withdrawal lies behind the nation and his government, his overpowering need for Sharon in the defence seat would disappear.

ONE MIGHT borrow the opening phrase of T.S. Eliot's *The Waste Land* — "April is the cruellest month" — to describe the feelings currently assailing the perturbed people of this troubled land. There can be few places in the world where so many headline-making events crowd in on one in such packed sequence as in Israel. Yom Kippur, the West Bank, Abuhatzzeira, the Temple Mount lunacy — just four episodes in one of the most traumatic periods ever to have beset this small country. There is a story about an Israeli meeting a Chinese on a train journey in Europe, with the latter flabbergasted to hear that the population of Israel amounted to a statistical error in his vast country's census records. "But you're always in the news," he was supposed to have gasped in disbelief.

Most of the causes for our prominence certainly lie beyond our control, but some of them most certainly do not. A short trip abroad afforded me an opportunity of hearing how the government's hard-line policy adopted in the territories has confounded friends and overjoyed

enemies by providing endless photographic material for the negative image of Israel projected to the outside world — an Israeli soldier shooting, and a small Arab boy throwing a stone. The David-and-Goliath image reversed with a vengeance. Not even the blindest defender of the government's record can deny that the situation in the territories went out of control only following the appointment of Ariel Sharon as defence minister in Premier Menachem Begin's second government.

Despite the known misgivings of Premier Begin and Deputy Prime Minister Simha Ehrlich about Sharon's famous impatience with due process, they put him in charge of the defence establishment. It is said that they both overcame their former reservations about him because they were confident that the very traits, like ruthlessness, that they had previously considered as disqualifying him for the post, to be ideal for carrying out the Sinai evacuation. They relied on his success in their first-term bulldozing through the Likud settlement



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THE HIGHLY organized structure of the American Jewish community has never been very easy to understand.

Recently, the jockeying for access to the White House has underlined exactly how complex and confused matters actually can become.

The American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) is the only Jewish organization officially registered with the U.S. Congress to lobby on Capitol Hill. It is often authorized to speak on behalf of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, under whose umbrella are 34 national Jewish groups. Most of those presidents sit on AIPAC's executive committee. At the same time, AIPAC is a member of the Presidents' Conference.

Therefore, when the chairman of the Presidents' Conference publicly attacks the President of AIPAC — that is extraordinary. And that is exactly what happened on April 12 following President Ronald Reagan's White House meeting with six Jews, one of whom was Larry Weinberg, AIPAC's president. The other five were well-known Republican Jewish activists.

Howard Squadron, the chairman of the Presidents' Conference, protested against Weinberg's presence. Squadron was clearly upset. He said it was "outrageous" and "unacceptable" that these "self-appointed Jews" should go to the White House without the involvement of the Presidents' Conference.

"The American Jewish community is mature enough so that we

do not need 'court Jews,'" he told *The Jerusalem Post*. "We do not want any self-appointed groups to intercede with the administration."

Squadron said that he had never opposed Republican Jewish activists holding separate meetings with the President. There had been such a session last November, but it was followed by another meeting with Reagan for the Presidents' Conference.

SQUADRON NOTED that Weinberg was a well-known Democratic Party activist. His participation in the meeting, Squadron said, suggested that it was not simply one of those Republican partisan sessions. Only the Presidents' Conference, he said, was authorized to speak for the Jewish community in dealing with the White House.

Squadron's sharp protest has caused a major stir among the Jewish leadership. Naturally, the six Jews who met with the president were furious at him.

In addition to Weinberg, the others were Albert Spiegel, of Los Angeles, Max Fisher, of Detroit, Gordon Zacks, of Columbus, George Klein, of New York, and Richard Fox, of Philadelphia. All had been active in the Jewish Coalition for Reagan-Bush during the 1980 presidential campaign.

For his part, Weinberg has sought to avoid allowing the incident to get out of hand. In a terse statement, he avoided any direct attack on Squadron.

"These are serious times for the American Jewish community," Weinberg said. "We face a series of arms sales to hostile Arab states, the

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need to convince Congress to increase aid to Israel; attacks upon Israel in the media; and the need to emphasize to this administration Israel's importance to our country.

"Under these circumstances, it would have been irresponsible for the president of AIPAC, the organization registered to lobby on behalf of the American Jewish community, to turn down an invitation to discuss these issues with the president of the United States."

THERE WERE several reasons why Weinberg — and not Squadron — was invited to the White House meeting. Most of those reasons stemmed from the fact that a new generation of Republican Jewish leaders has elbowed its way to power in the Reagan Administration.

Chief among them is Albert Spiegel, who has a long-standing personal relationship with the president. Max Fisher, while still a respected and important player, is no longer the sole conduit to a Republican president — as he had been during the Nixon and Ford administrations.

Given Spiegel's unique

relationship with Reagan, he has a lot of say about who gets invited to these meetings. And, simply put, Spiegel wanted Weinberg at the meeting. He did not want Squadron there.

Spiegel, a soft-spoken Los Angeles businessman who supported Reagan in 1976 as well as in 1980, has emerged, on an informal basis, as the key Jewish liaison to the White House, particularly now that Jacob Stein has resigned. Spiegel was largely responsible for arranging the last meeting with Reagan. Without taking a formal position in the White House, he is expected to co-ordinate future Jewish access to the administration.

There were three reasons why he wanted Weinberg at the meeting.

1. Last fall, during the height of the Saudi AWACS debate, Spiegel had met privately with the president. At that time, Reagan asked Spiegel to arrange a meeting for himself with the AIPAC leadership. AIPAC was spearheading the Jewish campaign against the AWACS sale. Spiegel thought this last meeting was a good opportunity for Reagan to meet with AIPAC, in the name of Larry Weinberg.

2. In practical terms, and on a day-to-day basis, AIPAC is the major Jewish organization dealing with the administration. It is located in Washington, where the action is. Spiegel thought it was more important to have AIPAC represented at the meeting than the New York-based Presidents' Conference.

3. Spiegel was having his own problems with Fisher in deciding how to deal with the White House. In the advance caucusing leading up to the meeting, Spiegel suspected that Fisher would have the support of Zacks and Fox. Spiegel wanted to counter by bringing along Weinberg, a close friend from Los Angeles, and George Klein from New York. It would then be three to three.

THE HOURS of internal debate leading up to the session with Reagan — what issues to discuss, how to do it, etc. — were rather heated.

Hovering over these partially procedural, substantive and personality-oriented matters was Spiegel's conviction that Squadron had very little credibility in the White House, given his background

as a "committed Democrat." White House officials had asked Spiegel whether Squadron should be brought along, and Spiegel said flatly no. They deferred to his wishes.

In looking down the road, Spiegel has some ambitious ideas for improving Jewish access to the Reagan Administration at all levels. He is hoping to organize three separate committees, one dealing with Israel and other overseas issues, a second focusing solely on domestic Jewish concerns, and the third involving Republican Jewish political matters.

The first two committees, in Spiegel's view, should consist of Jewish leaders from the major national organizations who would bring along their Jewish credibility, the best American Jewish experts on the various issues, especially from the professional and academic communities, and Republican Jewish activists who have the confidence of the White House.

The basis of the third committee would be the 1980 Jewish Coalition for Reagan-Bush. Together with the Republican National Committee's Jewish Outreach programme, headed by Richard Krieger, it would work to get Republicans who are supportive of Jewish issues elected to the House and Senate.

WHETHER OR NOT Spiegel's committees get off the ground will depend in large measure on the support he receives from the White House. If Reagan and other senior administration officials make it clear that they want to support Spiegel's concept, it has a chance of

working. It will also need, of course, the support of the major Jewish organizations, including AIPAC and the Presidents' Conference.

In complaining about his exclusion from the meeting, Squadron can make a strong case that the Presidents' Conference has been designated by the national Jewish leadership as the authorized spokesman for Jewish issues in dealing with the White House. Therefore, he should have been invited, especially since Weinberg was going.

But even many Jewish leaders who support Squadron on that point believe he went too far in calling the six "court Jews." Those are harsh words, with largely negative historic connotations.

In fairness, none of the six can be considered a "court Jew." Each, in his own right, often has raised his voice firmly on behalf of the Jewish community — even in the face of stiff pressure from the administration. All six, for example, were active in opposing the Saudi AWACS sale. A "court Jew" would have supported the president on that sale and would have tried to persuade other Jews to support it, too.

In recent days, all six have tried to iron out their own personal differences. And they seem to have made some real progress.

They may still be mad at Squadron, but they have also tried to ease his concerns. They have not gone public in attacking him because they recognize that the more they fight each other, the less strength they have to fight their real enemies.

PLAINS FACTS. The Atlanta Constitution report last week that Jimmy Carter had offered to undertake another Middle East peace shuttle is the result of a misunderstanding, according to former White House counsel Robert Lipshutz. The former U.S. president had never been planning another mission like the one just three years ago, which ironed out the final details on the Israel-Egypt peace treaty.

Georgia on his mind

PUBLIC FACES
Mark Segal

about the misquote. Seems as though Carter was merely expressing concern about the current state

of the Camp David process, and the reporter who interviewed him at his Plains, Georgia home just did not comprehend the intricacies of Middle East politics.

It's mutual. We'd find it difficult to deal with the ins and outs of Georgia politics.

NUMERO UNO. It is being said that Aharon Abuhatzira decided to resign his cabinet posts after he was gently reminded that Prime Minister Menachem Begin is more popular than he is among Moroccan immigrants. The minister of Labour and Social Affairs, and Absorption, went quietly despite the advice of deputy minister Benzion Rubin, who urged his Tami party head to make a last-ditch stand. Some think that Rubin wanted Abuhatzira to stand fast in order to block deputy minister Aharon Uzan, who is now Abuhatzira's heir-apparent.

PROTEST. In the latest edition of *Bokibbur*, the internal newsletter of Mapam's Kibbutz Artzi, there appears a letter to federation secretary Aliza Amir from a group of Hashomer Hatzair kibbutzniks serving in IDF Nahal units. The letter protests orders given to them on how to deal with local population in the Gaza Strip, and states: "We were advised to create facts which would pre-empt the autonomy scheme."

DEPUTIZED. Among the letters which arrived at Beit Hanassi this week was one containing a bronze sheriff's star. The envelope also contained a letter from John Barkedale, the sheriff of Shelby County (Memphis), Tennessee, making President Yitzhak Navon an honorary deputy sheriff, in recognition of his "sterling qualities, honesty and noble character."

DRAWING THE LINE. Historian Martin Gilbert expressed his surprise to a group of Israeli friends, including Foreign Ministry deputy director-general Hassan Bar-On over the fact that Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak used one of his maps to prove to Defence Minister Ariel Sharon that Egypt had the right to the disputed 700-metre coastal strip at Taba, south of Eilat. Gilbert pointed out that the map, from his *The Arab-Israeli Conflict in Maps*, was one used by the British in the early part of the century as a trick to deny Turkey control of part of the Gulf of Akaba coastline.

GRACIOUS HOST. West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt reportedly went out of his way to be cordial to the Israeli delegation attending the Social Democratic Party conference in Munich this week. The Labour Party delegates were party secretary-general Haim Bar-Lev, and former Israeli ambassador to Bonn Asher Ben-Natan.

SILENCE. Israel Radio director Gideon Lev-Ari has not yet replied to a letter of protest addressed to him and the radio's musical chief, Dr. Simha Arom, from music programmers. They were complaining about the ban on broadcasting music by German and Austrian composers — including Mozart and Beethoven — on Holocaust Day.

ROOM AT THE TOP. Now that engineering professor Joseph Slager has been tipped to replace Aluf (res) Amos Horev, as the next Technion president, only three of our universities may be looking for new heads. There's been no news from Haifa University, where Gershon Avner has resigned the presidency. But at Tel Aviv University, where the Senate has announced that Haim Ben-Shahar will leave at the end of May,

there's been a report that former chief-of-staff Zvi (Chera) Tsur has turned down the post. Another possible candidate for the TAU job, former justice minister Haim Zadek, is thought by some to be too political.

And at the Hebrew University, it is still not clear whether a replacement has been found for Avraham Harman. Our HU sources are guessing that the Board of Governors, which meets next month, will ask Harman to stay in the saddle a further year.

GUEST LIST. William Qumant, the Carter Administration's Middle East expert at the National Security Council, has been here this week for lectures in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem. He was also the guest of honour at a dinner party tendered by Shiloah Centre head Prof. Itamar Rabinovich. Those attending included Prof. Michael Sela, president of the Weizmann Institute; Prof. Gavriel Cohen, the Tel Aviv University historian; and prominent members of the Israel Friends of the Shiloah Centre, including industrialist Ben Chorley and his wife, Tami, who's also active in Israel WIZO.

Next Shiloah guest will be Hodding Carter, the former State Department spokesman, who will give the annual Arye Dissentchik Memorial Lecture in early May.

THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT at Tel Aviv University yesterday held its annual Nadav Vardi awards ceremony. Winner of the essay prize was Maureen Bassan, a member of the department staff who came to Israel 23 years ago from Brighton, England.

TRIPLE TREAT. The Branstatter-Mokadi clan gathered recently at the Tel Aviv sea-front flat of Chilli Branstatter to observe three *simchas* — the publication of a memorial volume dedicated to the work of her late husband, painter Yehoshua Branstatter; the award of a film prize to son Amos Mokadi for *Repeat Dive*; and the 1982 Israel Prize for archaeology, won by a cousin, Prof. Ruth Amiran.

DUE SOON. Mrs. Myrtle Franklin of London, great-grandniece of Sir Moses Montefiore, is due here next week to attend the April 27 opening of a permanent Montefiore exhibition in Jerusalem. The project, researched by Liora Kroyanker and designed by David Gal of the Israel Museum, has been made possible by a trust fund set up by Mrs. Franklin and her husband, David.

THE FIRST local showings of *A Woman Called Golda*, starring Ingrid Bergman, have been scheduled for the Jerusalem Cinematheque and the Tel Aviv Museum. The show, which is also to be screened on Israel Television, makes its TV debut on the U.S. ABC network next week, timed to coincide with Israel Independence Day.

I've been told that Mayor Shlomo Lahat plans to use funds raised at the Tel Aviv opening to build a park outside Golda's Ramat Aviv home.

RECRUITED. Na'amat's new fund-raising chief Sarika Harman has got some prominent names to join the organization's new public committee, which is chaired by Leah Rabin. Among the recruits are Benno Gitter of the Israel Discount Bank; Manufacturers' Association head Eli Haryitz; Histadrut treasurer Nathan Almeslino; *Davar* editor Haaga Zemer, and former minister Haim Giv.

The Na'amat drive will be launched early in June, under the patronage of Mrs. Ofra Navon. Meanwhile, Na'amat secretary-general Masha Lubelsky leaves for the U.S. next week, to launch a fund-raising drive for Pioneer Women, the group's sister organization.



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★ NAHAL IRIT in Samaria 2.30 p.m.

In the presence of Minister Yitzhak Moda'i
Programme: Establishment ceremony, greetings
Entertainment programme: I.D.F. Group: — 33 years in Song
Getting there: From the North — Jenin — Kabatiya junction, Tuba direction — Irit
From the West and South — Nablus — Tuba — Irit
From the Jordan Valley — Adam junction (Jirlik) — Tuba — Irit

★ NAHAL TELEM, Mt. Hebron 2.30 p.m.

In the presence of the Minister of Defence, Ariel Sharon
Programme: Establishment ceremony, greetings
Entertainment programme: Tzofel Tel Aviv Group
Getting there: Jerusalem — Hebron — Ashkelon road — Telem
Tel Aviv — Kiryat Gat — Beit Guvrin — Telem

★ NAHAL ELIFAZ in the Arava (Bikat Timna) — 2.30 p.m.


In the presence of Deputy Prime Minister Simha Ebrlich
Programme: Establishment ceremony, greetings
Entertainment programme: I.D.F. Group: 100 years of settlement
Getting there: Arava road to km. 38 (28 km. north of Eilat)

General Notes

The public is asked to arrive at the ceremony location before the start of the ceremony ★
There will be a short walk through the country, from the car park to the ceremony location ★
You are recommended to bring cushions and blankets for sitting on the ground, and to wear clothing appropriate for the weather ★ Refreshments will be sold from Shekem vans ★
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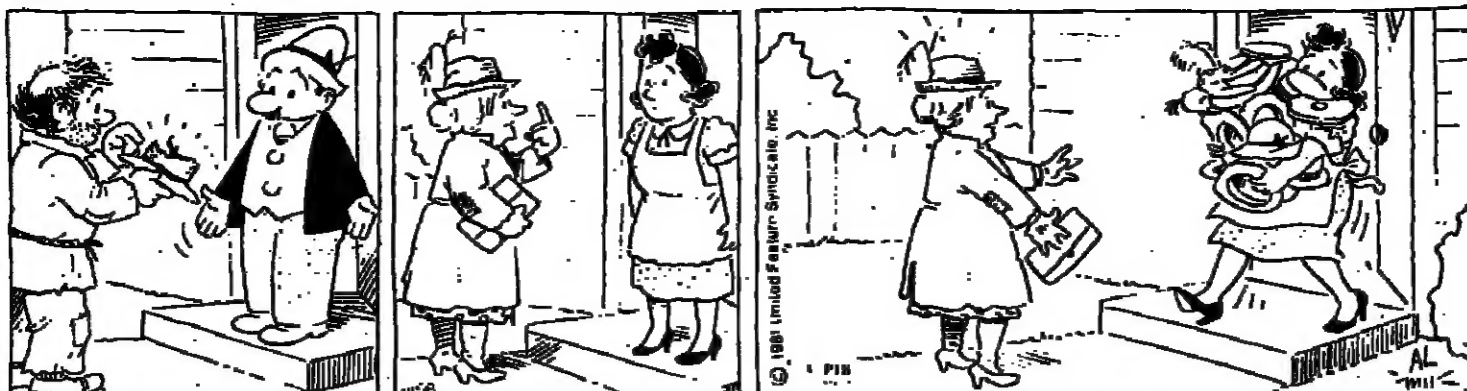
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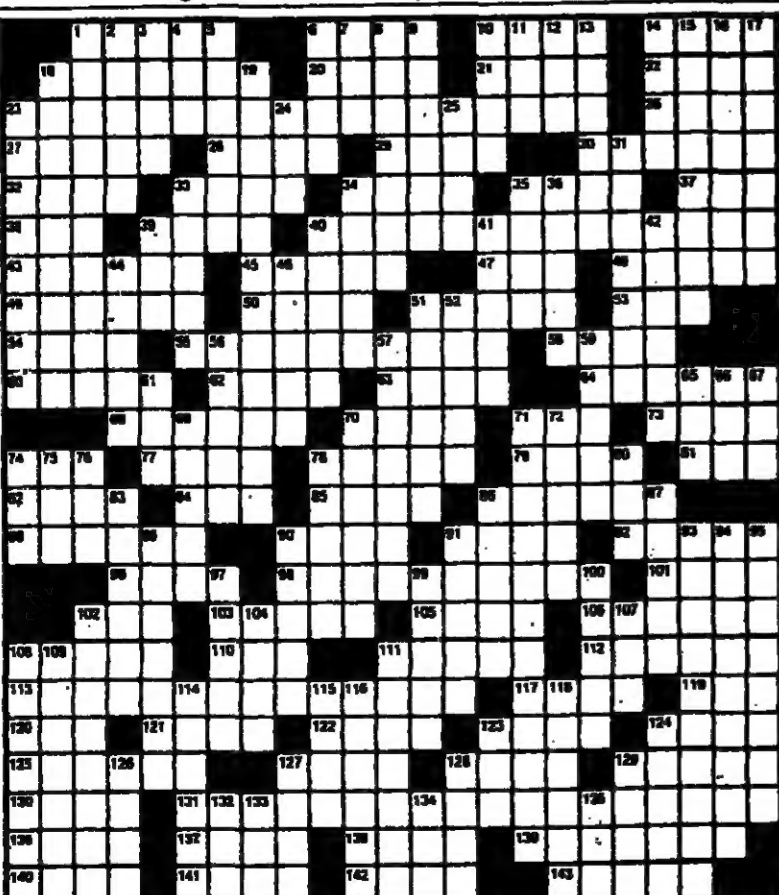
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Villa face Bayern Munich, Spurs lose to Barcelona

Post Sports Staff

The "British disease" of crowd violence erupted on the European soccer scene again on Wednesday night, providing a sour note to Aston Villa's triumph in qualifying to meet three-time winner Bayern Munich in the May 26 final of the European Champions' Cup.

Villa, bidding to keep the crown in English hands for the sixth consecutive year, drew 0-0 against Anderlecht in their second-leg semi-final match in Belgium to go through on a 1-0 overall aggregate. But there were ugly crowd scenes when fighting broke out in the terraces. Play was suspended for eight minutes, while riot-police moved in to restore order. One police officer was carried off unconscious. Eight fans were arrested and 26 injured, some having to be stretched out of the ground.

"It was a disgrace. The fans ruined it for us," said Villa manager Tony Barton, whose club was competing in the competition for the first time. "But, nevertheless, it was a magnificent achievement by the players to reach the final," Barton took over the club management only four weeks ago.

Several British clubs have been banned or fined by UEFA because of similar violence by fans in the past, but it is unlikely that Villa will be penalized. The official match observer, who will be presenting a report to UEFA, exonerated the English club, saying it had no control over the "rebel" supporters.

Bayern, the last non-English club to hold the title after winning the trophy in 1974, 1975, and 1976, made the final in style, hammering CSKA Sofia 4-0 in West Germany to qualify 8-4 on aggregate.

International stars Karl-Heinz Rummenigge and Paul Breitner scored two goals each to sink the Bulgarian Army club team, which had eliminated defending champion

Liverpool of England in the quarter-finals.

Bayern plugged the gaps which CSKA had exploited in the first-leg, when the Bulgarians led 3-0 after 18 minutes in Sofia, and the Germans were in control throughout.

Bayern coach Paul Csernai said the victory, "was the just reward for our performance in Sofia, when we did not give up, despite being 3-0 down there."

Csernai was pleased his club would meet Villa in next month's final in Rotterdam. "Aston Villa is the team we wanted to play in the final," he said.

Fortunately, there was no violence in Barcelona, where the Spanish club edged Tottenham Hotspur out of the Cup-Winners' Cup competition 1-0, due to a goal by Danish international Allan Simonson. The first game between the two teams, in London, was ruined by the ferocious fouls committed by the Spaniards, and both teams were fined substantial sums by FIFA.

There were 650 police — roughly one for every Tottenham supporter — in Barcelona, but they had a very quiet match. The Spanish authorities considered this to be a successful trial run for security measures which will be in force during the World Cup.

Barcelona will play Standard Liege of Belgium in the final in Barcelona, on May 12. Standard scored a convincing 1-0 victory over defending champions Dynamo Tbilisi of the USSR. Georges Daerden scored the goal.

The UEFA Cup final, played over two legs on May 5 and 19 will be between mighty Hamburg and Swedish giant-killers Gothenburg. Hamburg ran amok against poor Radnicki Nis of Yugoslavia, winning 5-1. But Gothenburg ousted another West German team, Kaiserslautern, beating them 2-1 after extra time in Sweden.



British will play

LONDON (UPI). — British Sports Minister Neil McFarlane said on Wednesday that the government had no present plans to prevent England, Scotland or Northern Ireland from competing in the World Soccer Cup Finals in Spain, despite the presence of defending champions Argentina.

"Millions of people in Britain would find it very strange if our three teams were not to participate in the World Cup through the acts of another aggressive nation," McFarlane told the House of Commons.

But three Argentinian yachtsmen, who arrived at Portsmouth at the end of the Round the World yacht race, hoping to see Britain, were expelled by the British Home Office on Wednesday.

Dante Salaman, Augustin Pierreira and Norberto Ramaciotti applied for permission to stay for two weeks arriving at the end of the 27,000 mile race on the Italian yacht, "La Barca Laboratorio." But they were told to pack their bags immediately and they left for France on board a ferry from Portsmouth.

Rangers still live

UNIONDALE, New York (AP). — Don Maloney scored two goals, and Ed Mio performed heroically in goal, as the New York Rangers stayed alive in the National Hockey League play-offs through a 4-2 victory over the New York Islanders on Wednesday night. The Islanders lead the best-of-seven quarter-final series 3-2.

In Vancouver, Darcy Rota scored two goals in the second period, and Richard Brodeur continued his sensational goaltending, as the Vancouver Canucks advanced to the semi-finals of the National Hockey League play-offs, on Wednesday night by defeating the Los Angeles Kings 5-2.

In St. Louis, Bernie Federko converted Joe Mullen's centering pass into a goal at 3:28 of overtime, giving St. Louis a 3-2 triumph on Wednesday night over the Chicago Black Hawks, thus keeping the Blues alive in the Stanley Cup play-off competition.

In Boston, Peter Stastny scored twice and assisted on a goal by his brother Marian to lift Quebec to a 4-3 victory over Boston that gave the Nordiques a 3-2 lead in their National Hockey League play-off series with the Bruins.

The Nordiques, who lost the first two games here, can now wrap up the best-of-seven quarter-finals by means of one more victory.

76ers burn Atlanta

NEW YORK (AP). — Darryl Dawkins, who says he has not fully recovered from the broken leg that side-lined him for two months, did not let that stop him from a shining performance that helped Philadelphia to a healthy 111-76 victory over Atlanta.

Dawkins, who has been criticized for his play since returning from the injury, scored 27 points and blocked eight shots on Wednesday night as the 76ers bombed the Hawks 111-76 in the opener of their best-of-3 National Basketball Association Play-off series.

"I'm not sure I'll ever shoot that well again," said Dawkins, who hit 12 of 17 shots and also got nine rebounds. "The leg feels pretty good, no real pain, but I know when I get home it will bother me. But I know I won't mind the throbbing tonight."

In another play-off opener, Seattle whipped Houston 102-87. When the play-offs resume on Friday night, New Jersey will be at Washington and Philadelphia at Atlanta in the East, while Denver will be at Phoenix and Seattle at Houston in the West.

No rest for the weary

NEW YORK (AP). — The Oakland A's and Minnesota Twins were back playing at Oakland Coliseum on Wednesday, less than 12 hours after completing a five-hour game there, and the A's rushed to a snappy victory in just over two hours.

Joe Rudi and Jeff Newman walked home during a five-run Oakland uprising in the fourth inning, helping Tom Underwood to a victory in his first start of the season.

The teams were playing on only five or six hours of sleep following the A's 4-3, 16-inning victory that ended in the wee hours on Wednesday. However, this time they settled the issue in just two hours and 14 minutes — the A's shortest game of the season — as Underwood limited the Twins to eight hits.

In another American League afternoon game, the Detroit Tigers completed a three-game sweep of the Kansas City Royals with a 4-1 victory. In the National League, the Montreal Expos beat the Philadelphia Phillies 5-2 and sent winless Steve Carlton to his fourth loss this season.

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Water trick trumped

LONDON (UPI). — The British-based Formula One Constructors Association is to boycott Sunday's San Marino Grand Prix at Imola, Italy, F.O.C.A. President Bernie Ecclestone said on Wednesday night.

Ecclestone, speaking on television, said the decision had been reached at a special meeting following the disqualification of Nelson Piquet (Brabham) and Keke Rosberg (Williams) from first

and second places in the April 28 Brazilian Grand Prix.

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Dempsey better

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"We used to take rides in the mountains for picnics," said Frances, the English-born wife of the Afghan army colonel. "Imagine it, one could just take a ride in the mountains for a picnic. Now I am so scared. Everything has changed in a year. People in the streets give us such mean looks, as if they would pounce on us and tear us apart."

"I used to love walking to the Green Market to choose vegetables. Now, after those horrible incidents — you know, there were two killings there in broad daylight — I only send Sardin shopping for me."

"The helicopter went into a dive. Past the pilot's helmet Volkov saw the target, the caravan on the mountainside. The machinegun roared. Then the rockets went in smoke and blaze. They cut deep into the rock, blowing off earth, people and camels in flames and agony."

THESE ARE scenes and excerpts from a novel that is circulating widely in the Soviet Union and catching Western experts by surprise — a first attempt by officialdom to tell the Soviet people some of the truth about the horrors and losses of the invasion and war in Afghanistan.

Entitled *A Tree in Kabul*, it has been serialized, more than 150 blood-chilling pages of this year's first two issues of the popular literary monthly *Otkrytyye*, copies of which only recently reached the West.

The author, Aleksandr Prokhanov, is a well-known Soviet radio journalist who has been covering the Afghanistan war and occupation almost from the start in December 1979. He is also on the editorial board of *Otkrytyye*, which has a paid circulation of 215,000 and is read by an estimated 2 million Russians each month.

WHAT MAKES publication of *A Tree in Kabul* so significant — and in a sense perplexing to Western Sovietologists — is that it very obviously has official approval in the Soviet Union's otherwise tightly censored publishing world and that it has been running in a magazine which, until recently at least, had the reputation for being the most orthodox and hard-line among the more than two dozen Soviet "fat journals," as the literary monthlies are called.

Afghanistan has frequently been described as "the Soviet Union's Vietnam" because it is a war with mounting Soviet losses and one which, according to reliable reports coming out of the country, the Soviet Union cannot win, no matter how many more troops and military hardware it pumps in.

The comparison is not quite accurate because, unlike the Vietnam War for Americans, the Soviet in-

Softening up the Soviets

By JOHN DORNBERG / Bonn



volvement in Afghanistan cannot generate a popular anti-war movement in the Soviet Union. Tight censorship has not only prevented events in Afghanistan from being shown in all their grisly detail on Soviet TV, it has also succeeded in filtering out most of the grim facts about Soviet casualties, believed to number many thousands.

THE PURPOSE in allowing *A Tree in Kabul* to be published appears to be twofold.

For one thing, some truth about Afghanistan is seeping back to the Soviet Union — with the return of the coffins, the wounded, the disabled and the veterans. No amount of censorship, particularly not in a country like the Soviet Union, which lives off rumour and reading between the lines of the official press, can prevent that.

Thus far, Moscow has attempted to counter unofficial reports with official deceit. But that hasn't worked. Apparently someone at the top of the Kremlin hierarchy has decided that a more effective way of concealing the truth is by reducing it to half-truth, which is what Prokhanov's novel really is.

Moreover, it may also be a way of preparing the Russians for worse to come; for an even greater involvement with still higher casualty figures as Moscow cranks up its efforts to stabilize the regime of Babrak Karmal. The Soviet force,

according to Western intelligence reports, was only recently augmented by 15,000 troops, bringing the total to around 100,000.

A Tree in Kabul, told autobiographically in fictionalized form as the adventures, experiences and observations of a Russian photo-journalist named Volkov, is, of course, propaganda. It is generous in its praise for the Afghanistan Communist regime and for the Soviet forces trying to keep it in power by fighting the resistance.

BUT BEHIND that veil, Prokhanov paints a surprisingly objective, at times even sympathetic, picture of an indignant, independent-minded nation, engaged in a holy struggle for freedom against hated foreign invaders and their Afghanistan collaborators.

He is remarkably candid about the horrors of the war and the apparent hopelessness of the Soviet position. There seems to be not a single place in Afghanistan where they feel welcome, safe or at ease.

Take the vignette of the Afghan colonel and his British wife Frances, whom Volkov visits in Kabul. As she relates her fears to the Russian, her husband tries to calm her. "Darling," he says, "it's just temporary. The excesses will soon end and you'll be able to walk to the

Green Market to shop again, just as in the old times."

"This will never end," she retorts. "Never! Don't you see that your nation will never allow itself to be humbled to the dust." Then, addressing Volkov, she adds: "You know, he has already been threatened. They have sent him a letter saying they would kill him. They will kill me, too. They may burn the house as well. I know they are capable of it."

To Volkov's question, Who? the colonel replies: "Those . . . who oppose the regime. They accuse me of having forsaken Islamic ideals and having betrayed the Afghan people. They want me to leave the army, my regiment, and join their side."

Prokhanov portrays Soviet servicemen, specialists and advisers as obsessed with suspicion and cowed by fear, even when gathered at a party. Afghanistan, too, especially those responsible for security in Kabul, are shown to be haunted by fear.

"Are there any concrete signs of activity?" Volkov asks an Afghan security officer. "There has been a growing influx of people from the countryside," he replies. "Most come and settle in the suburbs, or in the old quarter, under the pretext of having friends or relatives there. They stay quiet as the sands."

"You get the impression that men and guns are being silently accumulated around here. We've already discovered ammunition, machineguns, hand grenades, that sort of stuff, under the seats of inspected vehicles."

PROKHANOV'S PORTRAYAL of "the enemy" is remarkably fair and objective, devoid of the usual historicist of Soviet propaganda writing, and in a back-handed way he even refers to them as "freedom fighters" — "determined men, ready to kill and die, not demanding mercy, and not granting it either."

There is an almost compassionate tone in his description of their limited and outmoded weapons, "the old Enfield rifles that have passed from father to son." And he depicts the resistance groups as far more politically united and purposeful than they actually are.

The novel is at its most candid and brutal in describing the war, the suffering of Soviet soldiers, their homesickness, and the way they are being affected by the routine of daily killing.

But the biggest shock for Soviet readers is undoubtedly in the fidelity and hopelessness Prokhanov describes. In one scene he has Volkov interviewing a captured rebel who predicts that even Afghan children "will march against you."

"But there will be blood," Volkov says.

"We Afghans are used to it," the captive replies. Volkov then asks him what he would do if released under an amnesty the Karmal regime is preparing. The answer is an ominous warning for Russians: "Fight."

direct handiwork of God Himself.

In the wholesale destruction caused by the Flood not only does the Scriptural record confine itself to "man and cattle and creeping thing and the fowl of heaven" but the olive leaf which the dove brought back in its beak providing evidence that the Flood had subsided was "freshly plucked" (8:11).

It is true that that fact is the basis of a Midrash to the effect that the Flood did not overwhelm the Land of Israel, but it is a legend which cannot be accommodated with the literal meaning of Scripture. The forests are regarded as having survived the Flood; planted by God Himself, they are antediluvian!

Forests and the Flood

TORA AND FLORA / Louis I. Rabinowitz

these cedars the birds make their nests.

A comparison between this poetic version of Creation and the prose description with which the Bible opens reveals an interesting difference between the two. Flora was created on the third day but it is limited to utilitarian flora only, "grass, herbs, spreading seeds, and fruit trees bearing fruit. And it was so. And the earth brought forth

grass, herb yielding seed, and trees bearing fruit" (Gen. 1: 11-12). And when man is created he is told that they will provide him, as well as fauna, with sustenance (vv. 29-31). There is not a mention of forests, of non-fruit bearing trees. Moreover, apart from cattle fodder, all are made dependent on man's toil for their replenishment. Where then do the forests come in? That silence is supplied in the Psalm; they are the

READERS' LETTERS

CONFERENCE ON SOVIET JEWRY

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our lectures, seminars and training courses, as well as in our discussions with officials at the Demographic Centre of the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, that if our government wanted to implement a truly pro-natalist policy, it would have to start at this point — "psychological incentives for child-bearing, combined with efforts to change the social norm in favour of larger families. Professor Glick himself might start by breaking away from the over-simplified division of the population into

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, — I wish to refer to my letter of 17 January and to Professor Martin Gilbert's reply in the same issue.

It is not my intention to "belittle" the work of Dr. Pozner to whom I have myself paid tribute on a number of occasions. My only motive is to establish the historical truth.

After having read Professor Gilbert's book on *Auschwitz and the Allies*, I feel obliged to comment on one particular issue: the alleged transmittal of the Sommer Report on the Final Solution by Pozner to the British Vice-Consul Farrell (page 56) does not accord with the facts.

1. In my capacity as Director of the Palestine Office, I was myself in charge of the contacts with Vice-Consul Farrell, and Dr. Pozner had nothing to do with this.

2. I knew nothing of the Sommer message and it is inconceivable that a report of such importance could have reached my office without my being informed of it. Dr. Pozner was my subordinate and he

Ashkenazi-small family, Sephardi "unacculturated," to use his terminology. It is precisely this equating of the big family with the "unacculturated" which is the biggest deterrent against the third and fourth child in Israeli society today. And in addition to encouraging mothers with one child to have more, we would also like to encourage fathers to take a more active and responsible part in child-rearing and family raising.

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Israel Family Planning Association
Tel Aviv.

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was not authorized to deal with any issue of this kind. 3. It is strange that nothing appears in the Foreign Office records about the whole affair of the transmittal of the report to Farrell, whereas an entire file exists on the Riegner telegram. 4. In the comments of Foreign Office officials on the telegram to Silverman, it is explicitly stated that "we have no confirmation of this report from other sources." How then is it possible that a second telegram of this kind should have existed at the same moment in time?

5. Nor does Salin's essay *Ueber Artur Sommer, den Menschen und List-Forscher* make any mention at all of Pozner or of Salin having forwarded Sommer's report to the British.

S. SCHEPS
Geneva.

PENFRIENDS

DIANN SILER (22), of 11229 Hickson Pike, Lot 31, Soddy, Tennessee 37379, is married and has a daughter of three.

"FORSAKE ME NOT"

AT THE SAME TIME as we have been urging donors to our "Forsake Me Not" drive to help fund the cost of beepers for the aged, we have been looking into the cost factor ourselves. Many readers wrote to tell us of all kinds of systems which are relatively much cheaper than the \$750 it costs to install a beeper in Jerusalem. Closer investigation shows that other systems are not as effective as that which was selected by the Amit volunteers attached to the Jerusalem Municipality.

Amit researched the efficiency and prices of four major companies before making a final selection. The system chosen by Amit transmits directly to police headquarters.

The cost factor has been confirmed by Yad Sarah, which operates a similar system with signals received at the Yad Sarah head office in Jerusalem.

Subscribers hooked into the system relayed to police headquarters have the benefit of receiving both police protection and immediate medical care when necessary. The Yad Sarah beepers are utilized only for health services.

Extending the beeper programme to cover the whole Jerusalem area depends on funds. Neither Amit nor Yad Sarah have enough money to be able to supply each applicant with a beeper. All applications are investigated by social workers and priority is given according to immediate needs.

Referring to beepers funded by Amit, social worker Danielle Rubek, has written to Sheila Abu in the Services for the Aged Department of the Jerusalem Municipality praising the beeper system and noting the satisfaction of 21 elderly people in Jerusalem's Katamon Tet neighbourhood, who now feel much more secure since the installation of beepers in their homes.

YA'ACOV BERGMAN of Yad Sarah tells us that the laundry service for the aged is due to go into operation within two or three weeks. Supply and delivery are free. The only charge is for the actual laundering which comes to a subscription fee of \$1280 per month. To date, Yad Sarah has 400 sheets donated by the Jerusalem Plaza hotel. As needs increase, other hotels will be approached for

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similar donations. During the coming week, Yad Sarah is launching Operation Pyjama. All pyjama-manufacturing factories will be contacted by Yad Sarah volunteers to donate pyjamas for the bed-ridden aged.

Clean sheets and pyjamas will be delivered to aged individuals on a regular basis. Yad Sarah already has a list of names supplied by social workers and families of aged people who need this service. For further particulars, telephone 02-244242.

Money is still coming in for our "Forsake Me Not" drive albeit at a slower pace than we would like. During the past week, we received a total of IS15,918.10 in contributions, bringing the "Forsake Me Not" total to IS1,238,194.46.

The list of "Forsake Me Not" donors includes:

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\$100 In memory of Joseph O'Connor — the Riech, Family Movement, Zion, Aliso Viejo, California, Jerusalem. Anonymous, Petah Tikva.

IS90 In honour of Bertha Bogner's recovery — Shoshna Goldberg, Kfar Sava (3rd contribution).
IS36 In loving memory of our Zaki and Naama — Barbara Haim, Ziv and Efrat Shukiberger, Petah Tikva.
IS30 Anonymous, Ramat Aviv.
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IS18 Anonymous, Jerusalem.
IS10 Martin Grossman, Jerusalem.

SINCE WE COMMISSIONED the blowing of extra large glass tops as trophies for the Israel Bowling Association, and later published a story on the Tsofia Fund (which got underway through the sale of tops), we have received several requests for the now famous Jerusalem



Post Toy Fund tops. We still have some 800 tops in stock, and they are available for \$5 or IS100 each.

Proceeds from the sale of tops are being used to meet Tsofia Fund requests to help former wards of the state with monetary grants or tools of trade. This is really your last chance to buy a Toy Fund top, as the Tsofia Fund will shortly be able to meet the current requirements of this group of over 18 year olds.

New donations to the Toy Fund amount to IS2,231.20, and the total so far is IS889,581.97.

If you have not yet contributed to our funds, please mail your cheque today to *The Jerusalem Post*, POB 81, 91000 Jerusalem. Cheques should be made out respectively to "Forsake Me Not," *The Jerusalem Post* Toy Fund and/or the Tsofia Fund. A separate cheque should be made out for each fund.

Donations will also be accepted at *The Jerusalem Post* Head Office, Industrial Zone, Romema and at B'hatzlacha, 8 Rehov Shamai, Jerusalem. Tel Aviv and Haifa readers may lodge their contributions at *The Jerusalem Post* offices, 11 Rehov Carlebach, Tel Aviv, and 34 Rehov Herzl, Haifa. All names intended for publication should be clearly printed.

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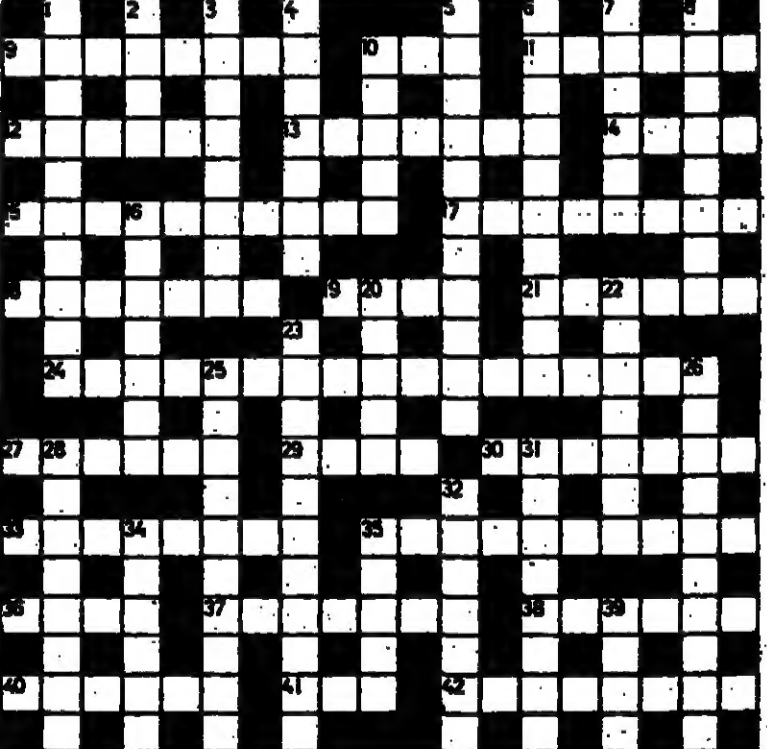
- 9 Can I go back, having turned it on, to doing nothing? (8)
- 10 Speak with and understand (3)
- 11 He has returned with the clergyman, I see (6)
- 12 Do nothing before the race, having entered with Henry (6)
- 13 What that cutting remark did? (7)
- 14 Get fed up and put it back again (4)
- 15 Men stand about holding gold decorations (10)
- 17 Having entered, need fresh bread brought in (8)
- 18 Sign that a number have left cover (7)
- 19 See as a blemish (4)
- 21 Turn over again! (6)
- 24 Arrange to see someone and give a job to (4, 2, 11)
- 27 Tip, inside, the new barmaid (6)
- 29 How the ghost appeared when no longer expected? (4)
- 30 The boats are loose for about half an hour, in the gardens (7)
- 33 Darn it, a gun could be found in the house! (8)
- 35 Bored, foregathered and talked about it (10)
- 36 Fit the shaft (4)
- 37 Spell at the pub, drunk on (7)
- 38 I have the boy in my keeping, madam (6)
- 40 Endeavoured to get the other end into the cooker (6)
- 41 See it in the middle of the year (3)
- 42 Like Hazel's hair? (3-5)

DOWN

- 1 Well, that's where you'd expect a bright pupil to be (2, 4, 4)
- 2 Mac, ma put on, the lucky thing! (4)
- 3 Do the crazy man in, hiding at the grocer's (8)
- 4 There's no music about like "White Christmas" (7)
- 5 Positive the anesthetic has worked? (4, 7)
- 6 Won't the German soldiers in it show surprise? (10)
- 7 Cat back first to hide the gun (6)
- 8 I do agree he has a right to both halves (4, 4)
- 10 Eggs for the cowboy (5)
- 16 Tear out "The man has again been captured" (7)
- 20 Bird seed the thing is after (5)
- 29 Close (4)
- 30 Red Indian child (7)
- 33 Solo card-game (8)
- 35 Squashed (10)
- 36 Fail to hit (4)
- 37 Plantation of fruit trees (7)
- 38 Summer wear (6)
- 40 Tentacle (6)
- 41 Hall (3)
- 42 Voting into office (8)

Yesterday's Easy Solution

- ACROSS.—4, Basalt. 7, Maligner. 8, Offers. 10, Looms. 13, Dole. 14, Ludo. 15, Cede. 16, Pen. 17, Crab. 19, Ever. 21, Character. 23, Crum. 24, Cast. 26, Coy. 27, Bolt. 29, Crop. 32, Blue. 33, Sheer. 34, Copies. 35, Trampled. 36, Refers.
- DOWN.—1, Small. 2, Flood. 3, Onus. 4, Brood. 5, Safe. 6,



- 22 Care to spend a day in N. Italy? (7)
- 23 As a villain is, when one just can't be found for the role? (5, 6)
- 25 Perpetually, during the serving of sentences? (2, 3, 5)
- 26 Rejected because dog-eared? (6, 4)
- 28 Allowed to get in the way, in the casino (8)
- 31 A friend with whom one is at home! (4-4)
- 32 Attending, now (7)
- 34 There's bitterness over the quantity (6)
- 35 Write to the church for money (5)
- 39 Play for the singer (4)
- 6 Certain antiques (10)
- 7 In short supply (6)
- 8 Cheeky (8)
- 10 Bridges (5)
- 16 Food (7)
- 20 Crowd actor (5)
- 22 Trains (7)
- 23 Storm feature (11)
- 25 Glories (10)
- 26 Esteeming (10)
- 28 Fancies (8)
- 31 Stopped (8)
- 32 Smears (7)
- 34 Be rude to (6)
- 35 Long for (5)
- 39 Promise (4)

- Larder. 9, Fleets. 11, Out. 12, Mocha. 13, Debacle. 15, Car. 16, Per. 18, Rumble. 20, Vetch. 21, Cry. 22, Cat. 23, Coyote. 25, Doe. 28, Ousts. 30, Reels. 31, Pride. 32, Bit. 33, Sumo.
- Yesterday's Cryptic Solutions
- ACROSS.—4, Stairs. 7, Penchant. 8, Attack. 10, Swiss. 13, T-ray. 14, Mail. 15, Tier. 16, New. 17, Grin. 19, Toot(rev). 21, Think hard. 23, Russ. 24, Lo-RD. 26,

- Peg. 27, Knew. 29, Eras. 32, Lead. 33, Crush. 34, Nomads. 35, (The) Third Man. 36, Steady.
- DOWN.—1, Spas-M. 2, Small's pace. 3, Thus. 4, Stars. 5, Arty. 6, Racket. 9, Tar-tar. 11, Way(Wa-L-L-y). 12, Sight. 13, Tinkled. 15, T-in. 16, Nod. 18, Risked. 20, Order. 21, Tug. 22, How(e). 23, Resort. 25, Was. 28, Nasty. 30, R-um-m-y. 31, Shlna. 32, Lava. 33, C-ARP.

Last quarter of 1981 bit deeply into rise in wages

Post Economic Reporter

Real wages fell by 10.1 per cent in the last quarter of 1981, compared with the preceding quarter. Figures released yesterday by the Central Bureau of Statistics show that average wages rose by 9.7 per cent in real terms for the whole of 1981. This followed a 3.2 per cent fall in real wages during 1980. The estimated average gross wage per employee post for the last three months of 1981, in all sectors of employment together, was ISL 180 a month.

The rise in real wages in 1981 mainly resulted from the slowdown in the rate of inflation caused by heavy subsidies to basic consumer goods and services.

Nominal wage increments provided for in the collective wage agreements were based on an inflation rate considerably higher than that which actually occurred, and cost-of-living allowances compen-

sated for higher rates of inflation in the period preceding the slowdown of price inflation.

The 10.1 per cent fall in real wages followed the reversal of the former subsidy policy. The reduction of subsidies accelerated the rate of inflation again, while nominal wage increases lagged behind.

In 1981, workers in the electric power and water services obtained the highest rise in wages — 20.6 per cent in real terms, but in the last quarter of 1981 they were also the heaviest losers of all employment sectors. Their real wages dropped by 18.9 per cent by comparison with the preceding three months. Employees in the financial and commercial sector did not have a similar rise in their earnings in the last quarter of the year as nearly as sharp as that of the workers in electricity and water services.

Firm seeking projects here has royal Kuwaiti partners

By CHARLES HOFFMAN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The head of the international conglomerate Lohr, which is partly owned by members of the Kuwaiti royal family, was in Israel this week to discuss joint ventures with the government in electronics, aviation and oil exploration.

Energy Minister Yitzhak Berman confirmed that he and Trade and Industry Minister Gideon Pat had met with Lohr. "Tiny" Rowland, head of Lohr, which is based in Britain, Berman expressed regret that word of the contacts had leaked through Israeli sources in London. Ministry sources, however, said they expect that the contacts would continue and that there is a "very good" chance that the deal will go through.

Berman was recently in London attempting to mobilize private funds for investment in energy projects in Israel, and will continue these efforts there next week. Projects such as pilot plants to exploit new energy sources or oil exploration are very expensive and require outside funds, the ministry spokesman said.

While in Britain recently Berman secured an agreement with the National Coal Board to extend technological aid to Israel.

Sanctions slow Haifa, Ashdod ports

HAIFA. — Ship movements in Haifa and Ashdod harbours were seriously disrupted yesterday for the third time this week, by marine department men calling in sick as a form of strike.

The 250 men are demanding a raise to compensate for "pay erosion." Their chosen strike tactic paralyses work, but makes it impossible for the management to dock their pay.

The men are careful to stay away "sick" only one day at a time to avoid back-to-work orders being issued and also not to harm the stevedores' income, which could cause conflict with them.

The main losers are the shipowners, whose vessels are forced to remain in port at considerable expense.

The ports' managements fear the sanctions may spread to other areas.

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By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN

TEL AVIV. — The swiftness and success of the air force strike against the terrorists in Lebanon on Wednesday had the effect of causing investors to step up their buying. As a result the general share index for yesterday's session showed a 0.4% advance. Trading volume was moderate at just under the IS355m. mark. Thirty-one issues moved up by 5% or more, while 19 fell by similar margins.

Index-linked bonds continued to

Air strike does not deter market

move higher, with advances of 0.5-1.0%. Turnovers were up and totaled IS113m.

The shekel was slightly ahead in trading against the dollar.

Union Bank was ahead by 2% among commercial banks.

Maritime Bank continued to move higher. The 0.5 shares were 2.7% better, while the option picked up

Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

5.5%.

Insurance equities were up, with gains running to less than 3%.

The land development and real estate group traded in a mixed pat-

tern. HLB Real Estate 0.1 was 9.1% higher. Caesarea 0.1 advanced by 7%, while the 0.5 shares were 8.3% improved.

Alaska continued to be a good feature among industrials. The 0.1 shares were 5% higher, while the 0.5 shares gained 9.4%. Elron was ahead by more than 6%. Fertilizers encountered selling pressure and was down by a full 10%. Molett resumed

its winning ways and surged 125 points higher. Gail Industries 3.0 shares were a full 10% improved. The Nechushtan group nearly came to a halt, as only the 0.5 shares made a 15-point advance. The Kalfi shares were both up by 10%, as Shemen was down by a similar amount.

Investment companies issues enjoyed the best performance of any sector. Elgar was up by 10%, as were the Wolfson 0.1 and 1.0 shares. Sahar Holdings was a star performer with a 15% upwards jump.

Commercial Banks & Banking

Stock	Price	Volume	Change	Change %
IDB prf	21600	1.1	-200	-0.9
IDB r	1872	391.3	+4	+0.2
IDB B r	3872	2.4	+4	+0.1
IDB prf A	6780	5.6	+50	+0.7
IDB prf B	4486	2.5	+10	+0.2
IDB prf C	4800	0.6	n.c.	n.c.
IDB prf D	2606	7.8	n.c.	n.c.
IDB prf E	2700	2.4	n.c.	n.c.
Union r	41200	91.0	+25	+0.06
Union no div	4650	1.1	+30	+0.6
Union prf A	2200	2.4	+40	+1.8
Union prf B	3600	5.5	+30	+0.8
Union prf C	1315	22.4	n.c.	n.c.
Union prf D	1305	5.1	n.c.	n.c.
Discount r	2382	19.3	+4	+0.2
Discount A r	2382	19.3	+4	+0.2
Discount A prf	3025	7.8	n.c.	n.c.
Discount A prf A	2294	4.4	+4	+0.2
Discount B	1360	249.8	n.c.	n.c.

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Mizrahi B	1206	101.6	+2	+0.2
Mizrahi prf A	1206	101.6	+2	+0.2
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Mizrahi prf I	1206	101.6	+2	+0.2
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Mizrahi prf K	1206	101.6	+2	+0.2
Mizrahi prf L	1206	101.6	+2	+0.2
Mizrahi prf M	1206	101.6	+2	+0.2
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Back to the sands

BY LATE last night, Yamit was to have been no more.

That shining pearl of modern city planning down by the Mediterranean was to have been finally crushed to bits and pieces, and buried in the sands that, in another three days, will officially be proclaimed Egypt's again. The diehards who clung to it with passion, and with violence, were to have been mostly cleared out, except for a handful who were allowed to stay on until the army itself leaves the area next Sunday.

It is a sorry end, by any measure. Too bad a way could not be found to keep Yamit intact, if only as a reminder of Israeli creativity in this territory taken from Egypt in a war of defence 15 years ago. Too bad, indeed, that the town itself could not be retained under Israeli sovereignty in conditions of peace with Egypt.

After all, the entire Yamit region, complete with a rural hinterland until a short while ago studded with flourishing moshavim, is but a little sliver of land in the enormous vastness of the Sinai desert. But this, as everyone knows, was the price that had to be paid for breaking the Arab circle of hate against Israel, with the signing of a peace treaty with Egypt, the largest of the Arab countries.

The opening up of the Yamit region to Jewish settlement, and particularly the setting up of the town of Yamit itself, was the subject of heated debate some twelve years ago. There were those who advised against the move. They pointed out that the region was beyond the international boundary between Israel and Egypt, and they warned that it might have to be returned to Egypt in any peace agreement. The enormous funds that would have to be invested in such an enterprise, they cautioned, would then go down the drain.

That counsel was brushed aside in the rush to establish what was then seen as an irrevocable fact on the ground — notably the erection of a buffer zone of settlements facing the Gaza Strip, and the building (as it was then hoped) of a port city in Yamit.

The decision, then, was to go and build. The results were spectacular, partly even beyond the planners' fondest dreams. Israeli farmers made the desert bloom with modern techniques and with the sweat of their own (and some of the displaced Beduin) brows. The town of Yamit arose proudly from the dunes, a magnet for hundreds of new immigrants. But then President Sadat journeyed to Jerusalem and offered Israel peace, genuine peace, for all of Sinai, Yamit included.

What followed is now already history. Premier Begin hedged on the issue of Yamit at Camp David, but it was clear to the Knesset, from the premier's own testimony, that the choice was not between peace with or without Yamit, but between peace and Yamit. Wisely, the Knesset chose peace, and withdrawal from Yamit.

The opponents of withdrawal would have chosen Yamit, and to hell with the peace. To them, Yamit was part of an inalienable, divinely decreed ancestral heritage. The peace, on the other hand, was an Egyptian plot against Israel's very existence; the continuation of war by diplomatic means. The Arabs, their theorists argued, were constitutionally incapable of accepting a Jewish state peacefully in their midst. The only hope for a Jewish state, then, lay in eternal vigilance within the fortress of Greater Eretz Yisrael.

The fact that the majority of Israel's elected representatives rejected this counsel of despair did not matter.

Thus, in the final analysis, the diehards' fight in Yamit over the past few days — with bricks, and bottles, and women and little children — was not so much about the uprooting of beautiful Yamit itself as about the right of any Israeli government to make a territorial accommodation for the sake of peace.

TERRORISTS DIVIDED

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issued a low-key statement which accused Israel of violating the nine-month Israel-PLO cease-fire, and said the Palestinians knew how and where to react.

But it stopped short of saying the PLO considered the cease-fire defunct.

George Hubush's radical Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), which is part of the PLO, said however, that Israel had annulled the cease-fire. It pledged to pursue armed struggle against Israel from all Arab fronts, "and in particular the South Lebanon front."

The raids have thus presented the PLO leadership with difficult decisions. The rank-and-file could join radicals in pressing for retaliation against northern Israel settlements, and thus provoke further retaliation against its positions in Lebanon.

Syria said it would back the Palestinians and their Lebanese leftist allies whatever the cost.

A commentary on Radio Damascus said: "Arab skies and

land will never be a playground for Israel's arrogance, whatever sacrifices that means and however high the price of protecting them."

A spokesman for the UN peace-keeping force in South Lebanon reported little unusual activity yesterday in the border strip controlled by the Christian militias.

He said four Israeli tanks entered the strip, but then returned to Israel. Three Israeli tracked vehicles, three patrols and one jeep were also sighted in various places.

Some schools in South Lebanon closed as a precaution against any further Israeli raids.

In Beirut, Foreign Minister Fuad Buitros conferred with the U.S. and French ambassadors. American envoy Robert Dillon said later that the cease-fire had clearly been violated, but if it could be kept in force, "that means there won't be any military operations."

Buitros said he was wary of assurances. "I believe that there are efforts to make things stop at this limit," he said. "But neither I nor anyone else can be certain that matters will definitely stop here."

On the eve of Israel's final withdrawal from Sinai, Egyptian Ambassador Sa'ad Mortada talks to *The Post's* Middle East Affairs Reporter David Bernstein.

DO YOU believe the Egypt-Israel peace is sturdy enough to withstand a lack of progress in the autonomy talks after Sinai is returned next week?

It is irrevocable.

Irrespective of what happens in the autonomy talks?

Irrespective of anything!

Even if Israel were to annex the West Bank?

Even if it annexes the West Bank...

THERE IS at least one man in Israel today who appears not to share the prevailing sense of apprehension over the course of Israeli-Egyptian relations after the return of Sinai is restored to Egypt in just 48 hours time.

Egypt's ambassador to Israel, Sa'ad Mortada, professes to be absolutely convinced that the peace treaty between Egypt and Israel is permanent; that, if anything, it will flourish once Israel has demonstrated its good faith in returning every inch of Sinai on schedule.

What is more, he believes, the peace treaty is virtually indestructible, capable of withstanding not only a continuing impasse in the autonomy talks, but also an Israeli invasion of Lebanon — to say nothing of its outright annexation of the West Bank.

In an interview with *The Jerusalem Post* on the eve of the withdrawal, Mortada was at pains to play down the significance of the final withdrawal from Sinai — an event so many Israelis view with so much apprehension as a turning-point, for the worse, in Israeli-Egyptian relations.

"We look forward to what is after April 25 — we do not look to the 25th any more," says Mortada.

"That is more important to us."

He points out that the withdrawal from Sinai could serve as an example for other Arab states, which would see what is achieved through peace: "Through war, through years of war, they didn't get anything. And this is what we have achieved."

That, Mortada suggests, could "tempt them to come into the peace process."

But he stresses, that this does not imply an active mediating role for Egypt in the Arab-Israeli dispute: "We won't mediate. We just point out, and everyone can see for himself, that Egypt has achieved success through peace. And then it's up to them. They cannot place conditions on us. We cannot put pressure on them. But we can tell

FAITH IN PEACE



We look forward to what is after April 25'

them: "See, this is what we have achieved, we have got the whole of Sinai back, we have good neighbourly relations with Israel."

He goes on to note that the Arab states, or at least some of them, are beginning to accept Egypt, notwithstanding its good relations with Israel — and this, he says, represents "a significant change in their own attitude."

"Before they boycotted everyone who had relations with Israel," Mortada says. "Now they know that Egypt has relations with Israel, yet they will not boycott us."

And this, he argues, is in itself "a de facto, indirect recognition of Israel."

READERS' LETTERS

UNKNOWN SOLDIER

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, — I felt quite upset when I read Hersh Goodman's concluding remarks in his interview with me on April 16 ("Israel's unknown soldiers"). Our meeting was dedicated to my military past and to my involvement with the Israeli intelligence community.

Had Mr. Goodman been meeting me on the subject of my present position, on Ben-Gurion University and on its fantastic role in the development of the Negev, I am pretty confident that his final comments would have been: "One can only be sorry that Shlomo Gazit wasted so many years with the military establishment."

Gen. (res.) SHLOMO GAZIT President, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev Beersheba.

Hersh Goodman comments: In no way did I intend to intimate that Gen. (res.) Gazit had said he was currently in a position beneath him. All I intended to say was that Gazit is the type of person who should be involved at the national level rather than at the local level of Israeli achievement.

MORTADA MAKES it clear that Cairo is looking forward to a significant improvement in relations between Egypt and the rest of the Arab world after April 25.

"That is what we are trying to achieve," he says, "because we, Egypt, whether we like it or not, are part of the Arab world."

Having achieved peace with Israel — "it is full, it is complete (I don't say it is perfection, but even between normal neighbours there is always something to complain about...)" — Mortada notes that Egypt now seeks to pursue "a wider goal," a "comprehensive peace in the area."

He will not go into detail about how Egypt proposes to go about expanding the scope of the peace process to include other Arab states. He does indicate, however, that he considers Egypt's success in blocking a move to condemn the Camp David Accords at the Non-Aligned Foreign Ministers Conference in Kuwait earlier this month as an example of the type of policy Cairo may be pursuing in the future to win acceptance for its peace policy in the region.

"This is a very difficult problem, and it will be solved," he says. "But it will take time. I cannot tell you tomorrow, next year, in three years — it will take time."

Mortada suggests that rather than fear an extension of the peace process to include other Arabs, Israel should welcome it.

"If we succeed in bringing in more Arabs, this should help build Israel's confidence," he says, noting that Israel could not be expected to "accept a menace" to its security. In the event, however, that "all the Arabs accept the existence of Israel, then there would be no menace... It would be like the situation with Egypt, where, for example, the danger of war is excluded under the peace."

ON NORMALIZATION, Mortada counsels patience.

"We believe in things going on gradually," he says. "Peace is like a beautiful plant, it needs time to grow before it bears fruit. We're going to water it. We're going to take care of it..."

He notes that Egypt is already buying what it needs from Israel, stressing that it also has many other trade connections which could not be broken just to accommodate trade with Israel.

He points out that "normalization" implies a normal rather than a special relationship between the two countries. Nevertheless, for purely geographic reasons, there

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121 Ramses St. The only person in attendance was a young Egyptian girl who only spoke Arabic. When I said *Jerusalem Post* she took me to a nearby room where there were stacks of old copies of your paper, the latest dated March 18.

I assume that this is not what normalization is all about. Unless, of course, the fault for this sad situation resides with *The Jerusalem Post* itself.

RICHARD OESTERMANN Jerusalem.

Unfortunately, the fault resides in Cairo. Ed. J.P.

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are certain aspects of the relationship that could, perhaps, be described as in some sense "special."

For example, Israel is the only country with which Egypt will shortly be maintaining a regular bus service. And there are few countries with which it has as many reciprocal flights: at present there are eight — soon to be increased to 10 — weekly flights between Cairo and Tel Aviv.

On the one-sided nature of tourism between the two countries, Mortada notes that Egypt is not a rich country and few of its citizens can afford the luxury of foreign travel.

"When Egyptians do travel, usually to another Arab country, it is more often than not to look for a job," he says.

For all that, he continues, "after April 25, the psychological barriers preventing some — very few — Egyptians from coming will fall, and I do expect more Egyptians to visit Israel. I have heard some people saying, 'I don't want to go to Israel as long as there is a single Israeli soldier on our soil...'"

MORTADA STRESSES Egypt's continued commitment to the search for a just solution to the Palestine problem, which he describes as "the crux of the Arab-Israeli conflict."

Nevertheless, he indicates that while pressing for "simultaneous and reciprocal recognition between Israel and the PLO," Cairo will try to seek such a solution within the framework of the Camp David agreement on autonomy for the West Bank and Gaza.

"Egypt is bound by one commitment, which is to the Camp David agreement on autonomy," he says. "We pledged that before the 25th. After the 25th, we shall continue to negotiate on autonomy."

In the event that the autonomy talks make no more progress in the months ahead than they have over the past two largely barren years, Mortada insists that this will have no direct bearing on bilateral relations between the two countries.

"The one is not tied to the other," he says. "At least, not directly. It may indirectly affect it, but very slightly. Nothing will change to detrimentally affect the relations. We will try to continue to discuss and if, God forbid, we fail — well, what can we do?"

MORTADA APPEARS absolutely convinced about the robustness of the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty, which he describes as "irrevocable — irrespective of anything."

He is even convinced that it is sturdy enough to survive something as drastic as an Israeli annexation of the West Bank, an eventuality he believes to be as unlikely as it is unwise.

Annexation is not really a question, he says, "because Mr. Shamir and all the responsible people in Israel have assured the Egyptian government that they will never annex it, under any circumstances... And we believe that."

"If it is annexed, that would not be very wise anyway — how many Arabs would you have in Israel if you were to annex it?"

A more likely occurrence would be a massive Israeli invasion of bases in South Lebanon. And this, too, Mortada says, is unlikely to lead to a rupture in Israeli-Egyptian relations.

"We are aware, and Israel has assured us on this point, that it will not strike unless Jewish blood is split, in which case it would have to react. This we can understand..."

Nevertheless, while the peace with Israel would survive such occurrences, Mortada stresses that this would not deprive Egypt of its "right as a friend, as a member of the UN, to tell you what it believes."

He draws a comparison with another friend of Israel — the U.S. They, too, "are very good friends of Israel, but sometimes they condemn you, sometimes they veto a condemnation, sometimes they abstain."

"As a friend of Israel, we also will not forfeit our right to tell our friend Israel, in very peaceful terms, 'You're wrong, we condemn this action, we think it is wrong.'"

"But that does not destroy the peace between us. That would be one of the clouds. There will always be clouds. But then there will be the sun..."

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